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SOCIAL HOUSING 'DEATH KNELL'

By Jordan Harris

CHANGES to council housing regulations will 'kill social housing', according to a Cannock councillor.

The Government's housing and planning bill has been criticised by Councillor Frank Allen, who says a 'change in attitude' towards housing was needed in the near future.

The bill includes measures to extend right to buy to housing association tenants, introduce 'pay to stay' charges for tenants in council houses earning more than £30,000 per household a year which means they have to pay a market or near market level of rent.

Councillor Allen said he believes the bill will make it more difficult for the council to build new social homes in order to address its growing waiting list. He said: "When this new housing bill comes into action it will kill social housing as we know it. Those of us who believed in social housing will have to accept defeat until times improve or there is a severe attitude change towards housing from the Government."

"In the last 30 years or so, housing is the only thing the Government has repeatedly sought to neglect."

"It has been persistently put on the back-burner and we will reap the harvest of that. It will become more and more difficult for us to build homes and make them available."

"It is OK for all of these rules on affordable housing being put in place from the private sector but that is really just charging people the market rate under a different name."

The Government has been accused of adding to the housing crisis with the bill as only some of the money raised is earmarked for replacement council housing, which does not have to match the size of properties sold off.

Last month, Cannock Chase Council's leader George Adamson said a reduction in social housing rents means his council will lose £75.8 million from its 30-year home building programme.

The reduction in resources means the council can build only 113 homes out of its previously promised 168, he said.

It comes as the housing waiting list which currently stands at 1,198 is expected to continue to rise, and the council does not have the provisions to build more homes to meet the demand.

The Government's bill has reached report stage, and was recently debated in the Commons amid protests and concern from social housing professionals.



Councillor Frank Allen

FATHER AND SON IN 900-MILE CHARITY CHALLENGE



Father and son Craig and Jake Bailey from Wimblebury are preparing to cycle from Land's End to John O'Groats in 12 days for charity

CYCLING almost 900 miles from the most southerly point in England to the top of Scotland – that is the task faced by a father and son from Wimblebury who are to ride the length of Britain in less than two weeks.

Craig Bailey, aged 43, and his 14-year-old son Jake are to raise cash for Sandwell Young Carers, Birmingham Children's Hospital and Autoimmune Alopecia Research UK by riding from Land's End to John O'Groats.

The bike-made pair will spend 12 days in the saddle as they cover a total of 870 miles. Jake, who attends Erasmus Darwin Academy,

in Burntwood, has launched a website – www.baileybikers2016.co.uk – to keep supporters up to date with their training and progress.

Craig said: "Jake completed his first charity bike ride when he was just six and the idea has been forming in his head ever since. He's been mad about cycling all his life."

"We have completed 1,500 training miles and we have just over 100 days until we start our mammoth challenge. The longest ride we have completed in one day has been 65 miles and every week we are increasing our daily mileage." The charity ride starts on July 24.

Jake will also be supported by his mother Sarah, 42, and sister Heidi, 16, who will be driving behind them in a hired camper van.

Craig said: "It's not the distances each day that bother me – it's doing it every day for 12 days. I think over all it will be a harder for me whereas for Jake it will be a mental challenge because he is a fit teenager."

"We'll be stopping off in five bed and breakfasts and seven campsites along the way."

To sponsor Craig and Jake visit their fund-raising page at mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/thebaileybikers

FUNDING

£100k available to spruce up district

A £100,000 pot of council funding has been made available to improve the Cannock Chase district.

So far, ideas put forward include resurfacing car parks, repairing signs, maintaining benches, improving street name signs as well as introducing more plants.

Cannock Chase Council's regeneration boss Diane Todd said: "Our town centres and other shopping areas are really important to us and we realise we need to invest in them. We want to make them as attractive as possible."

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ENTERTAINMENT

Corrie's Craig in DJ set at new venue

CORONATION Street star and BBC 6 Music DJ Craig Charles will be appearing in Cannock this summer.

The actor and radio personality will bring his Funk and Soul Club night to The Station, a new venue situated inside the former home of Cannock Progressive Working Men's Club above Cannock Shopping Centre.

Charles's TV roles include Dave Lister in science fiction sitcom Red Dwarf and Lloyd Mullaney in soap opera Coronation Street. The show at The Station is on June 11. Visit seetickets.com

TRANSPORT

Plea for railway station upgrade

SHADOW Transport Minister Daniel Zeichner has called for a 'complete upgrade' of Cannock railway station.

The Labour MP for Cambridge visited the town to see the current railway station alongside leader of the district council George Adamson.

He said he believes the facilities are in need of a 'complete upgrade' in ordered to support everyone that uses the service.

Mr Zeichner said: "It is clear that Cannock station is in need of a complete upgrade – both for access for disabled persons, for services and electrification. Local people want an upgrade and it is overdue."

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£2m park revamp nears completion



The pavilion at Hedenesford Park

A £2.2million revamp of Hedenesford Park is nearing completion now the roof has been fitted to the pavilion.

The long-running project is set to be finished in the next few weeks with a formal unveiling pencilled in for some time in May.

The pavilion's exterior is all but complete. Now the internal furnishings are being installed including the fittings for the new cafe.

Cannock Chase Council leader

George Adamson, who represents Hedenesford said: "We will be improving the sports pitches there as well. The pavilion is looking really good now the work is coming to an end. It will be officially opened soon."

A new eye-catching play park worth £200,000 has already been installed.

Around 25 schools, nurseries and community groups have contributed to its design. It features a 20ft climbing tower, sand pit, water feature, sleeper steps

representing a winding wheel reflecting the area's mining history, zip wires, basket swings, a separate toddler area, rodeo boards and a teen shelter.

A skate park is next on the to-do list while benches and litter bins are being put in place at the moment.

The Friends of Hedenesford Park group have been heavily involved with the project. Andy Williams, from the voluntary group, said: "We are all really pleased that it is nearly done."

It's a classic – heritage group wins poll on flag

THE votes are in – Staffordshire officially has a county flag. The classic design of a gold background and red chevron will now be recognised as the county's official flag after winning a vote.

The design, which was submitted by Staffordshire Heritage Group, fought off competition from Staffordshire County Council which submitted a rival design.

Its flag, which was similar to the Heritage Group's but featured a blue banner with a golden lion at the top, was beaten by 355 votes.

A poll ran on the Flag Institute's website saw 211 people vote for the county council's design and 566 for the heritage group's.

The flag will now be added to the flag registry as the County Flag of Staffordshire.

Just before the vote was due to go live, Staffordshire County Council attempted to withdraw its design, saying they had 'lost faith' in the process and would continue to fly their flag regardless.

But its withdrawal did not reach Flag Institute chief executive Charles Ashburner who declared the vote would go ahead anyway.

In a statement released after the final vote, the Flag Institute said: "County Flags have become an important part of our regional and national identity."

Newlife worker in tough challenge

A CHARITY employee dons his running shoes to raise cash for the cause next weekend.

Chris Fielding, community fundraising deputy manager at Cannock-based Newlife Foundation for Disabled Children, takes part in the 10k Wolf Run in Worcestershire on Sunday, April 9. Every penny he raises will go towards providing specialist equipment for disabled and terminally ill children.

Chris said: "I wanted a new challenge after the Great Birmingham Run last year. It's a great chance for me to raise money for Newlife."

He will be running in a team of four – the 10k course consists of man-made and natural obstacles over rough terrain. To support Chris and his team go to: <https://www.justgiving.com/Chris-Fielding2>

Residents can call in to obtain advice

THE Labour councillors for Burntwood will be holding their regular advice surgery on Saturday.

The session at Burntwood Library from 10am to 11am offers an opportunity for residents to call in for advice, information or to pass on their views.

New roof means club home and dry



From left, Derek Wollam, Eddie Jones and John Donnelly at Essington Bowls Club

A BOWLS club awarded more than £400 has used the cash to get the roof of its base repaired.

Essington Working Men's Club, in High Hill, Essington, won £465.17 as part of the Cash For Your Community awards 2015.

The awards, run by the Chronicle's sister paper the Express & Star and HomeServe saw £35,000 given out to 103 groups last year.

The bowls club used the money to pay towards a replacement for

its roof which was previously leaking, cracked and made of asbestos.

Club secretary John Elsmore, aged 70, who has been in the role for 50 years, said: "We applied in around June last year and found out we'd won in the September."

"The previous roof was all cracked and leaking and people were worried about the asbestos."

"Now we have a completely new felt roof with wooden underlay, so it can even be walked on," Mr Elsmore added.

The club also received an additional £200 towards the cost of the roof from the parish council.

The club has also made various other improvements and renovations.

Mr Elsmore said: "We've painted the railings, added a new gate and even painted the walls around the side of the bowling green."

"Half a dozen of our volunteers have helped us carry out the work and I'd like to thank them for their special efforts too."

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Life-saving delivery is a milestone for charity

A CHARITY which provides a life-saving 24-hour service to the NHS has completed its 2,000th delivery in just over two years of operation.

Staffordshire Blood Bikes, a volunteer-led charity delivering blood and other medical products for free for the NHS, launched in January 2014.

Without the service, hospitals would be obliged to use a taxi or courier so, as well as saving lives and freeing up beds, the blood bikes have saved the NHS an estimated £160,000 in that time.

The group's 2,000th job, an urgent delivery of blood for a patient at Queens Hospital in Burton, was completed by a team consisting of rider Ben Wilkes and two controllers, Gary Steiner and Martin Huxley.

Ben said: "There is always a bit of friendly competition between riders for who gets the milestone jobs, but it just happened to be me on duty this time."

"It is always a proud feeling to complete any delivery but this one is obviously a bit more special for all of us involved in providing the service."

Charity chairman Helen Bundy said: "Reaching this milestone is a fantastic achievement for our volunteers and a reflection of their hard work and dedication."

"Our fuel bill is presently running at around £1,000 per month so we are thankful for public support and donations."

New volunteers and fundraisers are always welcome. Visit www.ssbgroup.org.uk

Website tips on healthy lifestyle

A NEW website, run in partnership with Cannock Chaser Council, offers opportunities to get active and healthy through walking.

The website, www.chasefit.co.uk has been launched by leisure provider Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles.

Hettie Pigott, community wellbeing co-ordinator at Inspiring healthy lifestyles, said: "The website is a one-stop shop for walking in Cannock Chase, providing information on group walks, easy to read self-led maps and activities for families."

Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles worked in partnership with the community of Cannock Chase to develop the website, making it easy to use.

Visit www.chasefit.co.uk or contact Hettie on 07917505854.

Latest in series of crime films

MOVIE fans can watch the latest thriller in Lichfield Garrick's true crime film series on Wednesday.

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School turnaround praised by MP



Chris Gaffney with Amanda Milling

A RUGELEY school has been praised by Cannock Chase's MP following an improvement in standards.

A recent Ofsted inspection rated Redbrook Hayes Community Primary as 'good' and, speaking in parliament, Amanda Milling was joined by Leader of the House Chris Grayling in congratulating headteacher Chris Gaffney and his staff for the turnaround in fortunes.

The school had previously been rated as 'requires improvement'.

The new Ofsted report cited numerous initiatives that have been

implemented, which have led to an improvement in the quality of teaching and learning.

The Cannon Chase MP, who lives in Brereton, said: "When I first visited Redbrook Hayes Community Primary School, I was incredibly impressed by the passion and enthusiasm of Chris Gaffney and all of his team, and it was clear that the school's fortunes were already changing."

"I was delighted to hear that their hard work and commitment has paid off and I was keen that this be recognised on the floor of the House

of Commons." Ms Milling used the visit to Redbrook Hayes to present the head with a copy of Hansard, the formal transcript of Parliamentary debates, which includes the reference to the school.

"It was a pleasure to go back to the school to meet the headteacher to discuss the school's progress and plans for the future and also see for myself some of the really positive initiatives that have been implemented."

Mr Gaffney said: "I'd like to thank everyone who has worked together to improve the school's rating."

NEWS IN BRIEF

New operators sought for Bank

NEW occupants are being sought to run a popular Cannock nightclub.

The leasehold to take on the Bank Bar and Lounge nightspot in Wolverhampton Road is up for sale at £49,500 as well as £55,000 a year rent costs.

The former TSB branch is advertised as a 'fantastic opportunity for an experienced food operator'.

New bosses would take on both the bar/restaurant area and the self-contained Bank Vault nightclub. The venue's 'upholstered seating booths' and 'built-in champagne ice buckets' are advertised as major selling points.

Company on move after orders rise

A SOFTWARE company based at a business village near Penkridge is stepping up its search for a new headquarters after a big increase in orders.

Eg Solutions, which has been located at Dunston Business Village since 2008, says it is now bursting at the seams after an extensive period of recruitment of new members of staff.

The back office software specialist saw the value of its order book increase by £2 million in the course of the year to £17.4m.

It said that this had been down to a number of contract wins.

Hundreds back Superfast call

MORE than 900 people have signed a petition calling for improved speeds of Superfast Broadband in South Staffordshire.

Gavin Williamson, MP for South Staffordshire, has so far campaigned in Himley, Swindon, Lower Penn, Codsall Wood, Trysull, Seisdon and Calf Heath where, according to national statistics, broadband speeds are particularly poor.

The petition has 914 signatures from residents from these areas.

Children make waves for sports fundraiser

CHILDREN of Sainsbury's staff in Cannock went in at the deep end for Sport Relief.

Four children of eight colleagues from the Orbital Way store raised more than £350 from a swimathon at Chase Leisure Centre.

Between them, they swam 400 lengths over two hours and 18 minutes.

Store manager Paul Davis will present them with a certificate and a trophy to commend them for their efforts.

Sappers meeting

THE monthly meeting of the Cannock branch of the Royal Engineers Association takes place next Tuesday, April 5. All Sappers past or present are welcome at the Drill Hall, Walsall Road, Bridgtown, from 8pm. For more information regarding the branch contact the secretary on 01543 423319.

More events unveiled for Staffordshire Day

MORE activities for the first ever Staffordshire Day have been revealed by organisers behind the event.

Food festivals, arts and music events, special offers and activities from the county's top attractions are among the plans for the inaugural celebration of the county, on May 1.

It is hoped that the day will become an annual fixture, dependent on its success.

New activities announced include an exhibition called 'Why the monkeys came to Staffordshire' which will be held at Monkey Forest in Trentham and a fun day at Spark Community Centre in Burntwood.

Mark Winnington, cabinet member for economy at Staffordshire County Council and vice-chair of Enjoy Staffordshire, said: "We are incredibly excited about our first ever Staffordshire Day. It is going to be a wonderful day and it's great to see so many super events and organisations getting involved."

"Whether it's arts you're after, a food festival, music events, a lights show, or a day out at your favourite attraction, there will be something for you and the family."

Encourage

"So, remember to check out the website to see what's happening in your area."

Other events confirmed include A Day at the Lake, which will take place at Rudyard Lake, near Leek; Food Fest 2016 in Newcastle; and a Plant Hunters Fair at Weston Park.

The National Memorial Arboretum is offering free self-led trails, including a First World War discovery trail and an animal trail, while Holiday Inn hotels in Burton and Newcastle are offering discount prices to encourage people to spend the night in Staffordshire.

Stoke-on-Trent City Council's deputy leader is also encouraging people to join the fun. Abi Brown said: "We're really excited about all of the events and activities being planned to celebrate Staffordshire Day in Stoke-on-Trent. There's something for everyone."

The launch of Staffordshire Day follows the successful introduction of Black Country Day, which started on July 14, 2014.

For more information on Staffordshire Day, what's going on and how to get involved visit www.enjoystaffordshire.com/staffordshire-day

You can also keep up to date on Twitter at #staffordshireday



Pele is heading to Bar Sport's Premier Suite in Cannock

Football legend Pele to hit bar

PELE – the world's greatest ever footballer – is coming to Cannock.

The Brazilian, who won three World Cups in a glittering career, will meet fans at a lunchtime talk on September 25.

Pele will speak about his career, answer questions and pose for photographs.

Tickets for the event at Bar Sport's Premier Suite in High Green start at £100.

The venue's owner Scott Murray said: "This is quite an incredible coup not only for the town's Premier Suite but for Cannock as a whole."

"He is the greatest ever footballer and a role model. It is just so exciting for football fans to come and meet the great man and listen to stories about his phenomenal life."

Cannock Chase Council leader George Adamson said: "Everyone knows who Pele is and he is an icon throughout the world. It is brilliant for Cannock and a real honour for the town."

The 75-year-old played 91 times for Brazil scoring 77 goals in an international career spanning 14 years.

He was a World Cup winner in 1958, 1962 and 1970.

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THINGS misheard. A reader recalls her two children returning from a music lesson at primary school singing: "Edelweiss, bless my old man forever."

ANOTHER reader swears he heard someone on Bargain Hunt (BBC1) showing off a haemorrhoid barometer.

RESEARCH by the Royal College of Music suggests that playing the drums in group sessions can help reduce the players' depression and anxiety. And what of the mental wellbeing of the people next door...?

INSURANCE company research shows the number of speeding drivers nabbed by police last year was up 20 per cent on the previous year. Good to see one successful growth industry, innit? Kerching!

PRESUMABLY the cops are able to concentrate on hunting down motorists because figures for recorded crime are falling. But then it's no wonder, given that crime figures are shamelessly massaged to leave out anything embarrassing. For example, my computer spam folder shows that between March 13-23 there were 88 attempts to steal personal information and take money from me. There are literally billions of these attempted thefts every year, yet they appear absolutely nowhere in any crime statistics. Mind how you go.

CLAYTON Williams, aged 19, has been jailed for 20 years for killing PC Dave Phillips during a high speed chase, just three weeks after coming out of jail on licence. This is what his lawyer told the court: "Mr Williams comes from a deprived area of Merseyside and... had a lack of education and a lack of opportunity. Lessons need to be learnt by Government that communities and young people, who are abandoned by the State, who lack opportunity and direction will sometimes turn to crime." So in this version, Williams is the victim, PC Phillips was part of the system that oppressed him and the real villains were the politicians. What a wonderful exercise in shifting the blame. Paid for, of course, by you and me.

HOW to deal with terrorists? Christine Shawcroft, a member of Labour's national executive, says we should have a cup of tea with Islamic State leaders instead of bombing them. When her comments become public, she insisted they were "jocular." So here's the joke in full. Speaking at a Labour First meeting, she imagined a voter suggesting that Jeremy Corbyn would take tea with terrorists instead of fighting them. And here's the "jocular" punchline. Shawcroft said: "Now I mean, you know, maybe we should try it!" Don't give up the day job, eh?

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Alert over fireworks left in ditch

COUNCIL and trading standards officers are appealing for fireworks found in a ditch in Little Saredon to be returned.

South Staffordshire Council received reports from a member of the public about the dumped fireworks, which cannot be sold to the general public and should only be operated by trained professionals.

County Councillor Gill Heath, the cabinet member responsible for

them to be returned, as being exposed to damp conditions could make them unsafe.

In addition, one of the boxes is thought to contain professional range fireworks, which cannot be sold to the general public and should only be operated by trained professionals.

Trading Standards at Staffordshire County Council said: "These fireworks could be dangerous if in the wrong hands. Because they have been exposed to the elements, this could result in them being unsafe."

"We would advise that whoever has these fireworks in their possession must not attempt to use them but should contact Trading Standards, who will arrange for their collection and safe disposal." Councillor Roger Lees, cabinet member for public health protection, said: "Not only does fly-tipping spoil the countryside, it can be potentially dangerous too."

Staffordshire Trading Standards have offered to collect the fireworks if anyone comes forward, so they can be taken away and be disposed of safely. Call 01785 277855 during normal office hours.

Dozens of advisers at forum for businesses

MORE than 50 business advisers from various organisations were brought together at a Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Growth Hub event.

They were advised at the event in Cannock on how they can work together to help businesses to grow.

The morning started with a scene-setting presentation for the Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Growth Hub. Attendees then heard from Chris Plant, Director at the Chambers of Commerce, for an overview of the Growth Hub, its main aims and how it works.

Mr Plant said: "The Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Growth Hub provides a much-needed service to put businesses in touch with expert help."

"The event was a great way to get advisers and business people together in one room to talk about how we can move forward with the Growth Hub."

"There's an emphasis on growth, and currently the big target for the hub is job creation. Looking forward, our approach will be simplicity, consistency and clarity as this is what our clients seek."

A brief presentation from Rob Lawley, head of international trade for Staffordshire, followed. He spoke about how the referral process works between the Growth Hub and UK Trade & Investment services, along with highlighting the changes in how UKTI will be measured.

A Q&A session followed the presentation, where delegates had the chance to openly ask the speakers any burning questions that they had.

Push boat out for free sailing

A NATIONWIDE initiative to have a go at sailing returns in May – and people are invited to give it a try in Staffordshire.

Push The Boat Out is organised by the sport's governing body The Royal Yachting Association and gives all-comers the chance to get on the water for free. This year's initiative takes place from May 14 to 22.

Last year seven Staffordshire sailing clubs and centres ran Push The Boat Out events, with even more set to welcome people this year. Events can include dinghy sailing, windsurfing, big boats and yachts and powerboat rides and are geared to appeal to as many people as possible.

Visit www.rya.org.uk/go/pushtheboatout for a list of participating clubs.

Grant awarded for Alzheimer's group

A £1,200 grant has been awarded to provide entertainment for Alzheimer's sufferers and their carers.

The cash for the Monthly Alzheimer's Support Evenings (MASE) group comes from The Discovery Foundation, which helps the disadvantaged.

Warrior statue site 'in wrong place'



How the Saxon warrior statue, inspired by the Staffordshire Hoard, would tower over the M6 Picture: Andy Edwards

THIS giant statue of a Saxon warrior, inspired by the discovery of the Staffordshire Hoard, could appear near the M6 in the county.

But the proposal for the 114ft monument near Stoke has already been criticised, as the site would be more than 30 miles from where the hoard was found. Council bosses want to spend £3.5 million on the warrior.

The hoard – the largest collection of Anglo-Saxon gold ever unearthed – was found in Hammerwich.

Lichfield District Councillor Ken Humphreys, who represents Hammerwich, said: "I have seen what they are hoping to do and I am not happy with it being so close to the M6 where it will be more of distraction than a monument, and the fact that Stoke is the wrong place

for it. But I am not in favour of it at all really. The sort of money it's going to cost could be better used for permanent displays of the hoard in Lichfield."

Stoke-on-Trent City Council, which is behind the plans for the statue, has stated the city has its own 'special significance' to Anglo Saxon history. The council has declared the bronze statue will be the 'gateway to the city' stating it could be Stoke's 'Angel of the North'.

Half of the £3.5million has been raised already. It has not been specified as yet where exactly the statue will go.

The Staffordshire Hoard is jointly owned by Stoke-on-Trent and Birmingham city councils and looked after by museum trust in both areas.

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Police are called over men acting suspiciously

TWO men acting suspiciously in a residential area in Rugeley have put householders on alert.

The two men, both said to be eastern European, were spotted trying car doors, looking in houses and taking photos.

Staffordshire Police were called to Thorn Close at 4pm last Tuesday after calls from concerned residents.

A police spokesman said: "We received calls from two concerned residents from Thorn Close, Rugeley, Tuesday afternoon, reporting two males acting suspiciously in the area.

"The men were seen around 4pm to 4.30pm looking through windows and cars."

"Patrols attended and an area search proved negative. Advice and reassurance was given to concerned residents and they were advised to ring police if they see the men return."

Rugeley has been blighted by burglaries and in the last few months, especially around Christmas, although there is no connection to the latest incidents.

One of the more high-profile break-ins saw war medals and more than 30 items of jewellery stolen from a home in St Michael's Road. Couthwaite Way, Settrington Way are among other streets which have been targeted.

Police have also issued a warning to residents and security advice after another spate of thefts in the Cannock and Hednesford areas.

Anyone with information should contact police on 101.

Chance to net tips on sport

YOUNG girls can net sporting tips during training sessions in Lichfield this Easter.

A Netball Camp for nine-to-11-year-olds is running at Beacon Park on April 4, 5 and 6 from 10am to 4pm in the park's tennis courts.

The cost is £15 a day. Participants will need to bring a packed lunch, plenty of drinks and wear suitable outdoor clothing, including trainers.

Places can be booked in person at Burntwood Leisure Centre, High Street, Chasetown, or by calling 01543 308810.

Nethall Camp is being organised by Lichfield District Council's Sports Development Team. It is funded by Sportivate and supported by England Netball.

Book club held at coffee shop

A CANNOCK coffee shop is hosting a regular book club. Mims, in North Street, Bridgtown, is hosting the next meeting on Tuesday, April 5.

The event will run from 10.30am until 12.30pm.

Wine retailer's taste of being judge



Wolseley Wine Loft's Dave Eglington

A WINE merchant from Rugeley will join a panel of judges for a prestigious industry award next week.

Dave Eglington of the independent Wolseley Wine Loft, will be among the panel at the Wine Merchant Top 100, a competition devoted to wines in the independent trade.

The ceremony takes place in London on April 5 at 'The Worx' in Fulham, close to the world famous Kings Road in London's West End.

The competition is judged entirely by specialist independent wine retailers and is only open to wines that are

available from UK stock, and which are not targeted at supermarkets, specialist chains or major online retailers.

"I'm hugely excited to have been invited to judge at The Wine Merchant Top 100. To be asked to judge at such an important industry award is a real honour, especially as we've only been trading for a couple of years."

"The organisers are keen to have a broad panel that represents the wine buying public as much as those with an expert view, so my 'non-expert' status fits in really well."

Dave will be in one of several teams with two other judges and will work alongside the competition's chairman and senior judges to blind taste wines over two rounds. Wines will either go through to the next round or be knocked out to compile a shortlist of wines for the top 100 for re-tasting by the chairman and senior judges, who will make the final decision.

The Wolseley Wine Loft is located at Wolseley Bridge. The shop is open Thursday and Friday from noon to 7pm, Saturday from 11am and on Sundays from 11am to 4.30pm.

NEWS IN BRIEF

MP's plea over power station

CHASE MP Amanda Milling called for the government to look at turning Rugeley B Power Station into a gas-powered station once it closes later this year.

Speaking during a debate in the House of Commons, she asked what measures were being taken to encourage the development of gas-fired power stations on such sites.

Ms Milling said the existing infrastructure with national grid connectivity and a highly skilled work force meant the new technology could be brought straight in.

Holiday weekend injuries on the M6

MOTORISTS faced traffic chaos after a crash closed part of the M6.

Two people were injured in the collision involving three vehicles.

Emergency services were called at 9.20am on Friday to the crash on the northbound side between junctions 13 and 14. Two lanes were closed as a result. It caused delays of an hour.

Meanwhile, two people were taken to hospital and drivers faced delays of up to half an hour after a five-car smash shut the same motorway on Monday. It happened northbound between junctions 14 and 15 at 12.20pm.

Make a song and dance for sessions

PEOPLE living with dementia and their carers are being invited to a sing and dance event next month.

Creating a Song and Dance (for You) will resume in Cannock on April 12 from 1.30pm at St Barnabas Community Centre, Hampton Street.

Sessions offer service users and their carers a chance to meet and socialise and engage in an activity with their partner or loved one in a safe and supportive environment, rekindling interests and connections.

Acts announced for annual Blues festival

DATES have been announced for the annual Stafford Blues Festival taking place at Lower Drayton Farm, Penkridge, from September 1 to 4.

The Thursday will be a jam and open mic session with 20 artists appearing over the following three days.

The Friday will include The Rock Dogs and Sick Notes, Cold Flame and Voodoo Stone play on Saturday and Barrelhouse Dukes on the Sunday. Weekend tickets are £40, or £25 a day at www.staffordbluesfestival.co.uk

Eight-mile ramble

CHASE Ramblers head off on a moderate eight-mile walk on Sunday (April 3) from Hanchurch, Stoke on Trent. Departure time is 9am prompt from Hednesford rail station car park, Anglesey Street. Contact Stan for more details on 01543 459746. New walkers are welcome.

Better deal for drivers urged over M6 Toll talks

THE Government must use talks with M6 Toll bosses to negotiate a better deal for motorists, a Staffordshire MP has said.

South Staffordshire MP Gavin Williamson has called on Transport Secretary Patrick McLoughlin to make it easier for the toll to be suspended in the case of a major incident.

Talks are taking place with the M6 Toll operators Midland Expressway over Operation Freeway which allows the paid-for motorway to be opened in times of crisis but comes at a cost of £300,000. The present deal expires today.

Mr Williamson said: "I have spoken with the Secretary of State for Transport regarding this deal which frankly I do not think offers the best of deals to the taxpayer.

"But what is more concerning is that the levers to open up the M6 Toll in the case of a major incident are too difficult. I am still hammering home to him that the structure is not the right one and we are not getting value for money for the West Midlands economy."

Currently the Transport Secretary has the power to suspend tolls temporarily on the M6 Toll. West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner David Jamieson has suggested that power be transferred to local politicians, the police, or Highways England bosses in the West Midlands.

Agreement

Mr Williamson added: "The whole system is too bureaucratic and takes too long. Something has to be done to get the West Midlands economy flowing when there is a major incident so Staffordshire, the Black Country and beyond can benefit."

Mr Williams had previously taken the extraordinary step for a Conservative MP of calling for the M6 Toll to be nationalised.

An M6 Toll spokesman said: "Operation Freeway is an agreement which allows tolls to be temporarily suspended on the M6 Toll in the event of a major failure of infrastructure on the strategic road network in the West Midlands."

"The original agreement for Operation Freeway will end on March 31, 2016 and Midland Expressway Limited is already engaged in positive dialogue with Highways England and the Department for Transport about extending or renewing this agreement." The M6 Toll has been put up for sale by the banks that own it in a bid to get back the £1.9 billion they are owed.

Men united for cancer march



Jeff Stelling with Jez Moxey, Graham Turner, Matt Murray, Russ Green, Ben Rowlings and Alan McInally

DOZENS of football fans joined in a 22-mile trek through the West Midlands on the latest leg of his Hartlepool to Wembley fundraiser. It was the 61-year-old's fifth marathon in five days.

Fans from various Midlands clubs joined him in his Men United March to raise money for Prostate Cancer UK, and many were sporting their colours.

There was plenty of gold and

black on show, some blue and white stripes, a smattering of Waller red, as well as some claret and blue and Stelling spoke to every single one of them, as passing cars honked their horns in support.

Stelling was also joined by Wolves Chief Executive Jez Moxey, club doctor Matt Perry – who was treated for prostate cancer two years ago – and former goalkeeper Matt Murray.

Many walkers had been af-

fected by the disease in one way or another, including former Villa and Bayern Munich striker, Alan McInally, now a Sky pundit. One of the most inspirational participants was paralympian Ben Rowlings, who traversed over stones and mud down by the canal in his wheelchair.

The 19-year-old from Newport

is the 800m European record holder in the T34 class for athletes with cerebral palsy.

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Basement for £70m? I'm in the wrong job

MY first reaction to reading about tycoon Robert Beecham's plans for a £70 million underground basement in Primrose Hill, central London, was that I must be in the wrong job.

The application, approved by Camden Council, includes a Roman bath, juice bar, and room to store his cigar collection. And, according to the reports, Mr Beecham has made his money out of Star Wars bubble bath.

My second thought was about why people go to these lengths just for the sake of living in central London.

You would think somebody enterprising enough to make billions out of Darth Vader detergent would have the imagination to realise that there is life north of the Watford Gap, where there is also cleaner air and plenty of space to build as big a cigar room as you could possibly want.

But then I read that the project will cause noise and disruption for Jamie Oliver. In that case, bring on the bulldozers.

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THERE have been a lot of changes to West Bromwich in recent years. Most of them positive.

Yes, there was the disastrous Public arts centre, which in reality became a very expensive public toilet, but that was years ago, and it at least looks like lessons have been learned from that debacle.

And the New Square shopping development is a prime example of what can be achieved when local government works with retailers and developers, and gives the people what they want, rather than what it thinks they should want.

However, one thing that has never been addressed is the dreadful road layout. One-way systems, no-entry signs, no-left turn, no-right turn.

Every time I have been down there in the hunt for the very limited number of free, on-street parking spaces – and wild horses would not make me pay for car parking – I have become lost in the nightmarish road system.

And more often than not, I seem to end up by the bus station.

Have I broken any traffic regulations? I hope not, but in all honesty, it is possible.

Anyway, the council has now decided to undo much of the good work by installing a CCTV camera on one of the bus-only roads. It will no doubt prove to be a gold mine, raising a fortune from all the confused motorists, but I'm not going to be one of them. I think I will be steering clear of West Bromwich for a while.

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MEMORY like a sieve, me. Completely forgot all about Earth Hour on March 19, when we were supposed to turn out our lights as a gesture towards fighting global warming. Never mind, did mine between 1am and 2am on Sunday, to mark the start of British Summer Time. Better late than never.



Orkambi, drug that transformed Carly's life and may help others



Carly has been undergoing treatment since she was a child



Carly Jeavons meets Chancellor George Osborne in Whitehall

Trial drugs turned Carly's life around

Carly Jeavons says a trial drug has given her back her life,

PETER MADELEY hears she wants others to benefit as well

STRUGGLING to breathe and suffering from crippling pains and exhaustion, Carly Jeavons was faced with the daunting possibility of losing her home.

Having been diagnosed with cystic fibrosis (CF) at three days old, she had long been used to an exhausting daily routine of medication and exercise.

As a youngster she had a vascuport surgically implanted in her chest, which helps medics intravenously administer medication without constant injections, then at the age of 17 she was diagnosed with CF-related diabetes.

Each day, Carly had to take 90 tablets and herself through a gruelling two-hour stint of physiotherapy just so she could lead anything resembling a 'normal' life.

Deteriorate

But in October 2011 the mother-of-one's health started to deteriorate when she returned to work following the birth of her son, Corey.

"I was completely exhausted all the time and my body couldn't cope," said Carly, from Woodsetton, Dudley. "I started to need more regular, unplanned IVs – which had to take place in hospital as I didn't have the strength to do them myself at home."

"At one point I had to take three months off work due to the numerous IVs, oral antibiotics and steroids I had taken, but nothing made any difference."

Carly says she tried a number of new drugs, all of which had 'terrible side effects'. Then a new IV programme led to an allergic reaction, while she began to suffer with a seemingly permanent chest infection. Her lung function was down to 44 per cent.

"My options were running out," she said.



Carly Jeavons, who has CF, pictured with her son Corey, 5, at home in Woodsetton, Dudley

"The chest infection meant my joints had become so inflamed that I couldn't lift my arms or legs and my mom or fiancée would have to physically get me out of bed and dress me."

"It got to the point where I couldn't make it downstairs at all. I was having stomach blockages, my diabetes was getting more difficult to control and daily activities that were once normal were becoming increasingly difficult."

"I would get up wishing the day away because I couldn't wait to go back to bed at night. I couldn't plan anything because I never knew whether I would feel up to it. And if I did, I had to plan the next few days after so I could recover. Small luxuries such as going for a meal with friends became impossible."

Carly says she reached her lowest ebb. Her mental health began to deteriorate as she realised she was struggling to cope with life.

She started to face up to the very real possibility she was no longer capable of holding down her job.

"That would have meant losing my home," Carly said. "I always managed to maintain a normal life, always worked hard and both my partner and I provided a lovely home and life for our family. But I feared was all about to change."

Just when all seemed lost a glimmer of hope appeared. During a stint as an inpatient at the CF Centre in Dudley, she was told about a new drug called Orkambi that was being put through clinical trials.

The drug – a combination of two treatments – had been developed to thin the thick mucus that builds up on the lungs as a result of CF.

Just five places were available on the trial, but following a test Carly was accepted.

"People might think it was a risk getting

involved in a trial," said Carly, aged 29. "But I never gave it a second thought. I was desperate. By that stage I would have done anything to feel better."

For the first six months of the trial Carly said she didn't know whether she was on the active drug or a placebo. Then in March 2014 she was rolled onto a second phase of treatment where she was given the active drug. Within weeks her life had been transformed.

Her demanding physio routine halved, her lung function increased and the chronic pain in her joints subsided, meaning she was able to regularly go to work.

The number of chest infections dramatically decreased, while the strength she regained allowed her to administer her IV antibiotics at home. She no longer required regular visits to hospital and was able to exercise again.

"Right now I am in the best health I have ever been in," Carly said. "I can be a working mom without being exhausted, something I would not have thought possible."

Relief

"The biggest relief is I don't worry like I did before. I still get poorly but I recover much better than I used to. The treatment has taken a massive weight off my shoulders."

Buoyed by her own success with Orkambi, Carly now campaigns on behalf of the Cystic Fibrosis Trust calling for the NHS to extend clinical trials.

Her story prompted a House of Commons debate after her cause was taken up by Dudley North MP Ian Austin. Last week she took the fight to Downing Street where she handed in a 15,000-signature petition and received the backing of Chancellor George Osborne.

Carly said: "Cystic fibrosis care has long been about managing decline, instead of fighting the condition at the source. But thanks to new treatments people living with cystic fibrosis will have the opportunity to experience real changes in how they manage their condition."

The Cystic Fibrosis Trust has published an open letter to Vertex Pharmaceuticals, the manufacturer of Orkambi, urging it to work with the NHS towards a solution.

It is estimated that 50 per cent of the 9,000 CF sufferers in the UK could benefit from Orkambi.

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Storm Katie gives region a bank holiday battering

CARS were left stranded, roads flooded and events cancelled as Storm Katie battered the West Midlands.

There was torrential rain and even snow across parts of Staffordshire in the Black Country as the region was hit by the severe weather.

Large parts of the country suffered – with heavy rain and winds of up to 106mph hitting the Midlands and southern England.

The M6 was closed between Junction 14 and 15 near Stafford on Monday morning, as water flooded the carriageway from fields.

Initially just the northbound carriageway was affected, but as the flood spread, the southbound carriageway also had to be closed.

A gulley cleaner was sent to clear drainage channels in the area so that the motorway could be reopened after the water drained away.

Waterlogged

Hednesford Town's National League North home game with Worcester City, which was due to take place at 3pm on Monday was cancelled due to the weather.

An inspection was held in the morning at Keys Park, and the match was postponed due to the pitch being waterlogged.

A post on Hednesford Town's official Twitter account said: "Following a pitch inspection at Keys Park our game against Worcester City has been called off due to a waterlogged pitch."

The Museum of Cannock Chase was also hit by flooding.

Beth Cooper, 20, museum attendant at The Museum Of Cannock Chase, said: "The flooding was fairly bad. It was starting to come up to the steps of the museum."

"We couldn't open, which was fairly surprising. We've had flooding before but not on this scale. We've never had to delay opening before."

"We were open by 12.30pm, so it took an hour or so to clear. We had to unblock the drains, there was a lot of sweeping and manual work to get it

Snowy scenes in Sweetbriar Way, Cannock Picture: Mark Hands



Flooded – the M6 between junction 13 and junction 14 at Stafford



Snowy scenes in Sweetbriar Way, Cannock Picture: Mark Hands



Beth Cooper, museum attendant at The Museum Of Cannock Chase, sweeps away flood water left in the wake of Storm Katie

cleared. There's quite a lot of debris left and a lot of mud to clear up.

"We're just happy we could open for people on the bank holiday."

Penkridge Market was also closed due to the weather.

Walsall Football Club postponed an open training session due to adverse weather conditions. The promotion-chasing Saddlers squad were due to train in front of supporters at the Banks's Stadium on Monday.

A family fun day, which was due to run alongside the training session, went ahead as planned, as well as a

meet and greet event with players. West Midlands and Staffordshire fire crews rescued several stranded motorists after being inundated with calls to flooded roads between 5am and 7am on Monday. Most had also been hit by water coming off nearby fields.

One man was rescued from his car on the main Wolverhampton to Kidderminster A449 road near Whittington Manor in Kinver by firefighters from Brierley Hill after the Ford Mondeo cut out in 8in deep water. And a driver had to be towed out of a flood in Warstone Lane, Stafford, at 6.12am.

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Spending cuts have eaten into our society

WHY don't we reasonably expect David Cameron's 'We're all in it together' comment to be literally true?

Whenever a recession comes along and various groups of people are faced with public spending reductions, there hardly seems to be practical expression of this motto. This quote could surely imply voluntary contributions for well-earning people?

Government cuts have progressively eaten into the bones of society. Yet disabled people need to get through each

week without their health being endangered and children's services' cuts of £2.1 billion in five years need restoring to avoid more poverty, according to figures from the Children's Society.

Prison officers have been reduced by one third, and bedroom tax payers face a national shortage of flats. Those are arguably even more important than the desire of high earners to buy a more attractive house or investing extra ways to their own benefit in the current situation?

Nobody has to be a St Francis to realise that sharing things out better during certain times is possible. Some people pass on their winter heating allowance.

The Government has acted on the Living Wage, and past increases for people with disabilities, but one third of the planned cuts within four years are disabled people including Parkinson's disease and autistic children.

C SEAL
Cannock

Housing comments are not built on fact

IN reply to Mr A Allport ("House sales a surprise", March 24), once again his comments on this government's record on social housing are built on conjecture and not fact.

The following facts and figures are the real proof that the Coalition and Tory government have resided over and caused a social housing crisis of their own making.

Since bringing back Thatcher's Right to Buy an analysis in the three months to September in 2015, 2,941 homes were sold by councils through the Right to Buy Scheme in England with just 423 replacements. And since April 2012 to December 2015 a total of 35,229 had been sold, but just 4,117 had been started or acquired to replace them.

Whilst I agree that Labour's record was not that good on housing, it was nowhere near as bad as this government's, and it's about time Mr Allport condemned it.

COUNCILLOR PAUL WITTON
Cannock South

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No idea of lower classes

IS George Osborne's idea of being Chancellor to throw a controversial issue to the electorate and if they don't like it change your mind? He has eyes on being PM, but like many others, has no idea how we lower classes live. They emerge from their public school cocoon and think they know what is good for us. But many of the lower classes vote for them because they think they are something they are not.

ROGER ALLEN
Great Wyrley

Clarity and certainty are crucial

Who do you trust to run the economy?

LABOUR Councillor Mr Witton should have a spring in his step with the resignation of Iain Duncan Smith. He should also be happy they have hit the buy to let landlords.

His belief is that the electorate will punish the Conservatives over punishing the most vulnerable. In Councillor Witton's own words he thinks they have the monopoly on care. Surely you have to ascertain their requirements as there are so many variables to physical and mental health. PIP was to tailor their individual needs.

Labour installed Atos, a French healthcare company, to work for DWP to move disabled people "off benefits and into work". Both parties have struggled to find a solution to a £36bn bill. Which party would you trust to run the economy?

MR A ALLPORT

Huntington

Turn2us

More than 200 cases of scarlet fever in region

Centre's fitting fundraiser



Part of the group who took part in the Combatathon at Burntwood Leisure Centre to raise money for Sport Relief

A LEISURE centre raised more than £400 for charity as part of a group Combatathon.

Visitors to Burntwood Leisure Centre came together to raise money for the BBC's Sport Relief on March 18.

Brigid Foden ran the event, which involved two hours of combat workout.

Rachael Harwood, sales and marketing for the leisure centre, said: "It was all fancy dress and all very light hearted. Everybody was really generous. We've had comments back on how much everybody who

took part enjoyed it and it's something we'll look at doing again."

Thirty people took part in fancy dress, wearing different kinds of sportswear including tennis, rugby and boxing gear.

Councillor Andy Smith, Lichfield District Council's cabinet member for leisure and parks, said: "Staff, members and customers have really thrown themselves into this charity challenge."

The leisure centre also ran a cake sale, a sweepstake and a gym challenge. Funds have already topped £400, with money still flooding in.

MORE than 200 cases of scarlet fever have been confirmed across Staffordshire, the Black Country and the Wyre Forest area since September, new figures reveal.

It comes as Public Health England reported that the total number of children diagnosed with the disease in the country was at a record high.

Doctors say there has been a steep increase in the number of cases with 6,157 new cases confirmed in England since the season began in September – up from 5,061 in 2015. But in the West Midlands region, the overall number has decreased slightly with 220 confirmed cases, compared with 225 during the same period last year.

Some areas have seen a drop in the number of cases of the contagious condition while others have reported an increase.

Compared

Scarlet fever is caused by the Streptococcus pyogenes bacteria and results in a distinctive pink-red rash.

In Cannock, there has been a rise in the number of cases with eight youngsters falling ill – up from three in 2015 – but the number has dropped in Stafford with two cases this year compared with 14 last year.

South Staffordshire has seen the first cases for two years with two youngsters diagnosed since September.

Walsall has seen a rise in the number of cases with 30 youngsters going down with the condition since September – up from 23 last year. There have been 42 children diagnosed with scarlet fever in Wolverhampton, up from 30.

Dr Theresa Lamagni, from Public Health England said: "Individuals who think they or their child may have scarlet fever should seek advice from their GP without delay as prompt antibiotic treatment is needed. Symptoms usually clear up after a week."

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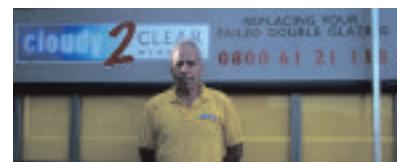
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School marks opening of new college



Guests from the local and wider community attended the official opening at Abbots Bromley School

ABBOTS Bromley School has celebrated the official opening of a new international college and sixth form centre.

ABIC – Abbots Bromley International College – was opened on March 19.

St Mary's, which opened its doors to girls only, in 1870, has undergone complete remodernisation creating a base for teaching and learning facilities fit for the 21st Century. It now contains Meynell Lowe House, a first-class boarding facility heralding the first cohort of boys to Abbots Bromley School, common rooms, dining facil-

ties, classrooms with state of the art technology and relaxation areas.

The new Alice Mary Coleridge International Conference Room has the latest SMART Class technology.

This has transformed the learning environment for future generations of students and their teachers and is a key milestone in the history of the school.

Guests from the local and wider community were joined by the Rev Canon Bill Weaver, former Provost of the Woodard Schools, Midland Division. Executive head Mrs Musgrave said: "The school is delighted, the

longest-serving member of domestic staff of sixty years, officially opened the college with the cutting of a ceremonial ribbon. Mrs Margaret Ashmore joined the school in the 1950s when it was a very different place from which it is today."

Mrs Musgrave expressed her pleasure at the growth of the school and the energy that the international dimension has brought with it. "We have musicians, scientists, mathematicians and artists from all corners of the globe," she said.

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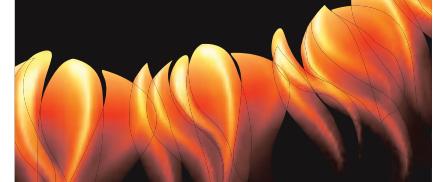
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Protecting assets is topic of talk

The Ridwares WI

BEN Stephens, who provides legal and financial services, was the speaker at the February meeting on 'How to protect your Assets'.

Mr Stephens had a career in industry and education prior to becoming a para-legal specialising in estate planning.

He explained how putting one's estate and property into a trust was like 'putting a wrapper' around one's assets.

Trusts today will last for 125 years and can be passed down the generations, and also, once in a trust, one still has access to the money. Another big issue is a 'Lasting Power of Attorney' where an incapacity may make it difficult to manage one's own affairs and consideration should be given to appointing someone LPA for property and finance and also health and welfare.

Mr Stephens judged the competition 'A treasured item you inherited', won by Jeanette Roberts.

A draw was made for a bursary to Denman College and Mary Meddings was the successful candidate.

The Ridwares birthday party has been booked for April 14 at The Conservatory, Curborough, with entertainment by Kate's Party.

The next coffee morning is on April 6, at the village hall, from 10.30am to noon. A St. George's Day tea will be held on April 21, from 3-5pm.

The next WI meeting is on April 19, when Roger Hailwood will speak on 'Trees at the National Arboretum'.



June Pickerill with Lynne Tuckley President, S I Cannock & District

S I Cannock & District

JUNE Pickerill gave a fascinating talk on 'one and eightpence in my pocket'.

She told of her ancestor John Pickerill and the incredible good fortune she had in discovering some previously unknown letters.

It started when June was clearing out the home of an elderly aunt and found a rusty old tin, discovering in it nine letters, written from 1853-1864. They told of John's adventures as he left Hednesford and travelled to Australia in search of a better life. With just one and eightpence in his pocket he left behind everything he had known including his pregnant wife, Sarah and even changed his name on arrival, becoming known as Pickering. Although his story ended sadly, his family prospered and he left behind his wife, two sons and daughter who began a new branch of the Pickering/Pickerill family.

At a reunion in 2005 which June attended, the family had grown to the extent that more than 200 Australian descendants of John and Sarah were able to attend and meet up with the English relatives who were completely unknown to them beforehand.

Flower arranging inspiration

Cannock WI

CANNOCK WI welcomed June Jukes for a flower arranging demonstration.

June's arrangements and accompanying talk had been based on themes taken from a 16th century book of old sayings, which also gave details of all the saints days in March.

The first arrangement, winter/spring contained white stocks representing snow, and the soft blue hues of perfumed hyacinths for spring.

A leek was the focal point for an arrangement to mark St David's Day.

A fun element was introduced with an Easter egg in

a wreath, and chickens in an egg box for two more table centre-pieces for an Easter celebratory meal.

After the vote of thanks, chairman Helen raffled off all the arrangements as prizes.

The next meeting is at 10am on April 14 at St Luke's Church Hall and will include the Annual General Meeting.



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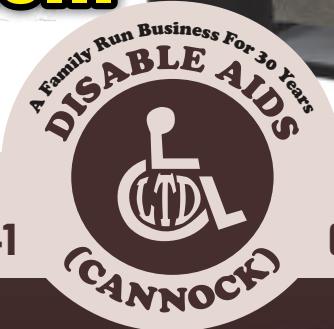
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Visitors can dress like an Anglo-Saxon in the Staffordshire Hoard exhibition at Wednesfield Academy

STAFFORDSHIRE Hoard enthusiasts can relive the story of the find at unique exhibition in Wolverhampton.

The exhibition – Treasure: Discovering the Staffordshire Hoard – was developed by Staffordshire County Council's museums team and runs at Wednesfield Academy until April 10. Featuring high quality replicas of some of the treasure, video footage, and interactive displays, it will retell the story of the world's largest ever discovery of Anglo-Saxon treasure.

Visitors can try their hand at detecting for treasure, cleaning a piece of the hoard, or simply dressing up like an Anglo-Saxon would have done in the 7th century.

County councillor, Ben Adams, cabinet member for Learning and Skills said: "This is a fascinating exhibition that has been touring the county for the last three years, taking the story of the Staffordshire Hoard out to many local communities."

The exhibition, funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, was launched in August 2013 and will continue to tour Staffordshire and the West Midlands until the summer.

It will be open at the academy on select days and will include a series of Anglo-Saxon re-enactment events.

Nothing is impossible says new fire chief

"IT takes hard work and effort and you need to put all of that into it. But do you know what, there's nothing that's impossible."

These are the inspirational words of new Staffordshire fire chief Becci Bryant who has spoken for the first time since being appointed to the role. Her promotion makes her the UK's first female fire chief to rise through the ranks.

The appointment of Ms Bryant also means that two of Staffordshire's emergency services are being run by women, with Jane Sawyers heading up Staffordshire Police.

This makes Staffordshire the first region in the UK able to boast such a fact, something Ms Bryant has hailed as 'absolutely fantastic'.

She said: "I was delighted when Jane got the position, really pleased. It's absolutely fantastic to have two emergency services that both cover Staffordshire being led by women.

"I hope that between us we're really able to show young girls and younger women who are really thinking about what they want to do in terms of their working

life that actually you can dream big and you should dream big. It takes hard work and effort and you need to put all of that into it but do you know what? There's nothing that's impossible. Except me becoming an astronaut which is what I always wanted to do."

"One of the things that I think is really important is demonstrating the difference that women make because sometimes that difference gets missed."

Ms Bryant takes up the role of Chief Fire Officer on April 18.

She is replacing outgoing chief Peter Dartford, whom she described as having made a 'phenomenal' difference.

Inmate, 23, freed after being kept in too long

A PRISONER has accidentally overstayed his welcome at a Staffordshire jail – after officials forgot to release him.

Ashley King should have been freed from Oakwood Prison in Featherstone on February 8 but was still behind bars 30 days later. The 23-year-old was finally released, with an apology, on March 15.

He walked free after the mix-up was spotted by a member of the administration staff.

They make regular checks 14 and two days before the projected release date of an inmate in case extra days have been added to the sentence for misbehaviour while held behind bars.

But this time the alarmed official realised that the jail had forgotten to take into account the amount of time King spent in custody on remand while waiting for his case to be resolved in court. This is always counted as part of a prison sentence.

The prisoner had been given a 12-month sentence after being convicted of two charges of assaulting a police officer as well as causing criminal damage and stealing a bike.

Mr Sean Oliver, deputy

By John Scott

director of HMP Oakwood, which opened in 2012 and has space for 1,600 inmates, said: "Our official review suggests the period this prisoner served on remand had not been served as part of his sentence. He was released as soon as this came to light through the checking process. Such incidents are rare but we are not complacent and are investigating this case to understand why this happened."

Earlier this year a 40-year-old prolific burglar who hit national headlines after falling asleep on a victim's sofa was found dead in his cell at HMP Oakwood.

Scott Tinsley – jailed for 40 months last year – was found unresponsive on January 3. There are no suspicious circumstances.

Council delivers a boost to couriers



Andy Evans, managing director EDS Couriers and Councillor Gordon Alcott

A CANNONNOCK firm that employs more than 100 people has been allowed to expand after fears it would have to move out of the area.

EDS Couriers was outgrowing its base on Fairway, Bridgtown and contacted Cannock Chase Council to help them find bigger premises. Despite fears, they have to move away from the district, business bosses at the council stepped in to help them find a site at the former TNT site in Wimblebury. The move allows the company to grow now and in the future.

The company currently employs 106 people and has created 20 new jobs in the last six months. Managing director Andy Evans said: "In early 2015, we realised we needed to move and I am extremely grateful to be able to stay in the Cannock area as almost all of our 105 work force live within four miles of Cannock."

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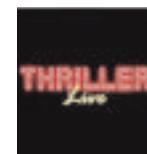
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Janet to demonstrate healing therapy

AN international psychic and medium will demonstrate her latest healing techniques during an exhibition at The Orbital Plaza in Cannock on April 14.

Janet O'Carroll will reveal all about her 'progressive alpha therapy'. The author, spiritual development teacher, reiki master and crystal therapist will also discuss her life-long passion for helping and healing.

She said her new therapy, known as PAT, had taken the very best elements of reiki, crystal therapy, neuro linguistic programming and other elements to produce a powerful programme.

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Fewer mentally ill are ending up in police cells

Fans foot bill for Pete's sake



Pitmen Pete shoes off his new made-to-measure footwear

HEDNESFORD Town supporters arranged to foot the bill for a new pair of boots for the club's mascot.

Pitmen Pete had to finally hang up his boots when they reached the end of their playing life – worn out from years of pacing the touchline at Keys Park.

Having been worn by the mascot since 2002, the boots finally fell apart. Now Hednesford Supporters' Association have chipped in for new made-to-measure footwear thanks to the proceeds of a race night.

HTFCSA chairman Scott Smith,

said: "We were delighted to be able to help Pete out in finding a new pair of boots through our fundraising – something that is no mean feat – or should that be feet!"

"Hopefully this means Pete can continue to welcome all the supporters who visit Keys Park. Who knows this may well help him gain those extra few yards in the mascot race that he is looking to take part in again this year at Uttoxeter Racecourse."

To join the Supporters Association, visit www.hfcsa.co.uk

THE number of people with mental health issues ending up in Staffordshire police cells despite not committing a crime has dropped by 80 per cent.

Police and Crime Commissioner Matthew Ellis said he was pleased with the figures after ordering Staffordshire Police to undertake a detailed report into the numbers.

New figures show a cross-agency approach through Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent which has seen people detained in police custody under the Mental Health Act fall from 168 in 2012 to 33 in 2015.

Mr Ellis said that after being 'shocked' by the original numbers when he first came into office three years ago, he began putting pressure on mental health service providers to ensure alternatives to custody were in place.

Safety

He said progress in Staffordshire, which had seen NHS and police staff work more closely together, had led to national reform including new government funding for health-based alternatives to police cells for people in mental health crisis.

"I was shocked by the number of mentally vulnerable people Staffordshire Police had no option but to put in police cells because there weren't suitable places of safety when I started work as the PCC," he said.

"It became clear to me this was fundamentally the wrong place for an individual who is in mental health crisis to be kept if they haven't committed a crime.

"Over the last three years, and working closely with Staffordshire police, I've invested additional resources in NHS mental health services. Alongside better training for police officers, it's meant there's been a large reduction in the number of people who are simply ill finding themselves in a cell. The NHS has also stepped up to the mark by investing extra staff in this area in Staffordshire."

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Motorcyclist died after hitting car on ride abroad

A KEEN motorcyclist who was on a tour of Europe with his friends died after coming off his bike and hitting a car in Slovenia, an inquest heard.

Colin Askey, of Oaken Grange, Cheslyn Hay, had been leading a convoy of other bikers in the Srbrenica area of the country when he lost control of his Ducati bike on September 30 last year.

The 52-year-old's friend Roy Fradley, who was riding behind him, also came off his bike and hit the same car. Despite his injuries, he survived.

Father-of-two Mr Askey's widow Jacky said she was surprised he died on the road, considering how seriously he took riding safely.

After his inquest at Cannock Coroner's Court, she said: "He was a really experienced rider. He did a lot of trips on his own and with other people. He did the Dakar Rally twice.

"It was his life, but he was a safe rider, he would never have taken risks," she added.

"He always used to say if he saw anyone overtaking dangerously that they were giving good motorcyclists a bad name.

"It's just unbelievable that it was him who has ended up being killed when he was such a safe rider."

Mrs Askey added: "He lived life to the full and was a huge character."

"He is a massive loss, I'm still receiving messages from people now offering their sympathies."

Convoy

Coroners officer Andrew Heathcote told the hearing that Mr Askey had been leading the 28-strong convoy from Croatia, where they had spent the previous night, through Slovenia and on the way to Italy, their next destination.

He said: "Police investigators in Slovenia have said that he approached a bend to the right.

He said he and another rider, a Mr Clifford, were leaning to the right and both skidded in the road.

"Colin's bike then collided with a car on the opposite side of the road," Mr Heathcote said.

He added Mr Askey was thrown into a ditch on the side of the road, while Mr Fradley landed at the wheels of the car after skidding across the road.

He said: "Investigators said the road was dry and visibility was good. He suffered multiple injuries and was pronounced dead at the scene."

The trip's organiser, Nicholas Duncan from Wild Side Events, informed Mrs Askey



Colin Askey was an experienced rider

of her husband's death over the phone shortly after the crash. Andrew Haigh, senior coroner for South Staffordshire, said:

"When a death occurs abroad, we are reliant on the evidence that local investigators can provide."

"The police in Slovenia have supplied a very detailed report. I've heard that Colin was an experienced motorcyclist."

"It is unclear whether Colin was travelling at an inappropriate speed, if there was contact between the two bikes or if indeed Colin had a natural medical issue."

"The cause of his death was multiple injuries as a result of a road traffic accident."

Mr Askey, who ran Askey Precision Engineering in Willenhall, is survived by Jacky and their daughters Sophie, 24, and Chloe, 19.

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The retailer also runs a Christmas card recycling scheme, which collected 89.1 tonnes of cards last year and amounted to a donation of £15,695 to the Forest Stewardship Council, which helps support the work they do protecting the world's forests.

Police issue alert over spate of shed raids

POLICE have issued a warning to keep properties locked up and secure following a spate of shed break-ins across Cannock Chase.

The alert was issued after five properties were targeted within three days. At 10.30pm on Sunday, March 20, a report was received about a break-in at a shed at a home in Arthur Street, Chadswood.

The intruder used a screwdriver to break the lock but despite a search of the shed, nothing was stolen.

The following day, a garage in the same road was subject to an attempted break-in when thieves were using wooden flashing to remove the door from the roof.

They failed to gain access on this occasion. But garden tools were stolen from Marquis Court Nursing Home, Littleworth Road, Hedgesford, before midday the same day. Two lawn mowers, a trimmer and other tools were taken.

Fence

Just before 9pm police received a call from a startled resident in Ward Street, Hedgesford, who disturbed a burglar.

The caller had witnessed an intruder climb over the garden fence and force open a shed door. Despite getting inside they left empty-handed.

In the early hours of Tuesday morning a shed in View Street, Hedgesford, was broken into.

A lock was broken off the door and thieves stole three mountain bikes, a petrol lawnmower, and electrical tools made by both Bosch and Stihl.

Funds available for community safety projects

CANNOCK Chase MP Amanda Milling is urging community safety groups to apply for grants from the Police & Crime Commissioner's 'Proceeds of Crime Fund'.

The fund, launched by Police & Crime Commissioner Matthew Ellis, sees money seized from criminals ploughed back into local communities. Groups can apply for grants of between £3,000 and £15,000 for projects that will help reduce crime and anti-social behaviour across the county.

Ms Milling said: "It is absolutely right that the proceeds of crime are returned to the local communities

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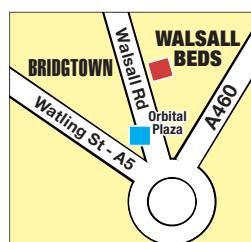
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Police & Crime Commissioner for Staffordshire Matthew Ellis with PCSO Abbie Lancaster

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Information can also be personalised to find out more about rural,

horse, canal, school and cycle crime. Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner Sue Arnold is urging organisations to use Smart Alert to keep up-to-date on local business crime and to highlight support for businesses who have been victims.

She said: "Programmes like these turn the tables on criminals by joining up and sharing information about crime, working closely with the police."

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Leah Washington and Joe Pugh raised money for Staffordshire Safer Communities CIC and Midlands Air Ambulance as a thank you for the treatment they received after becoming trapped on the ride.

They presented a cheque for £6,000 to Chief Fire

Officer Peter Dartford on behalf of the CIC. Jo Bailey, from Midlands Air Ambulance Charity received £8,701.10. Leah and Joe were among the most serious casualties in the June 2015 incident.

Mr Dartford said: "I would like to thank Leah and Joe for their incredible generosity."

Ms Bailey said: "Their donation will help fund future life-saving air ambulance missions."

Bin collection changes

WASTE collections in Cannock Chase will be taken over by Biffa Municipal Ltd from this weekend.

Cannock Chase Council awarded Biffa Municipal Ltd the contract for waste collection in November last year, leading to significant financial savings. The contract officially starts on April 2.

Residents are informed that some collection days may change as the new service beds in.

New refuse vehicles include safety features to make waste collections safer for the public and operatives. This includes 360 degree CCTV cameras, for-

ward and rear mounted automatic breaking radars and cycle safety devices. Vehicle cabs will be fitted with the latest in refuse collection technology.

Councillor Alan Dudson, environment portfolio holder said: "Residents are advised that normal times of bin collections may be different than what they are used to, so don't assume that your bin hasn't been collected."

He added: "Disposing of waste in the wrong bin could result in the load being rejected and sent to landfill, which could cost up to £1,500."

For anyone unsure of what goes into which bin, a new search facility is now available at www.cannock-chase.gov.uk/whichbin, to assist with ensuring the right item is disposed of correctly.

Residents are still plagued by nuisance phone calls

STAFFORDSHIRE residents are being hounded by unscrupulous call centres, according to a new study.

The research, commissioned by CPR Call Blocker revealed the average person in the county receives 12 nuisance calls every month.

It adds eight per cent of people have reported receiving between 26 and 30 nuisance calls on a monthly basis.

Kris Hicks, from CPR Call Blocker, revealed the most prolific types of nuisance calls concerned PPI claims and car accident compensation followed by automated marketing calls.

More than half of those surveyed have had a nuisance caller consistently ring them over a period of time, even though they have told them to stop calling, while 22 per cent of people have either been scammed over the phone or know someone who has been.

One in five have even handed over money to a charity after feeling guilty and pressured into doing so, he added.

"Our survey shows that as a nation, we are still being hounded by unscrupulous call centres, despite politely asking to be taken off databases and being careful about giving out our details in the first place," said Kris.

"Our research shows that nuisance calls rank highly on the list of concerns for elderly relatives living on their own."

He recommended adding details to the Telephone Preference Service and giving out a call blocking number such as 01111111111, when asked to provide your phone number on a form.

"You can also complain to Ofcom and report nuisance numbers to the Information Commissioners Officer," he said. "An immediate solution is to install a call blocker to your landline which allows you to cut off unwanted calls as they come in and permanently stop them from calling you again."

For more information about how to stop nuisance calls visit www.cprcall-blocker.com/tips

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Town centre regeneration leader Councillor Diane Todd is asking for suggestions to improve the district. COUNCIL chiefs have earmarked £100,000 for environmental improvements across Cannock Chase district over the next year.

Cannock Chase Council plans to improve its three town centres as well as the wider area and is asking residents for ideas on where they would like to see the money being spent.

Suggestions so far include car park resurfacing and signs, keeping benches and street furniture freshly painted, improving street name plates and increasing planting.

Councillor Diane Todd, leader for town centre regeneration said: "Our town centres and other shopping areas are really important to us and we realise we need to invest in them. We want to make them as attractive as possible for our residents and visitors, to encourage people to spend time in them and increase the potential for small businesses where possible.

"We are asking residents for their input into what changes they would like to see made, to make our district a better place to live, work and visit."

Suggestions can be made via email at customerservices@cannockchasedc.gov.uk

700 sign up in protest at estate sports ban

MORE than 700 people have signed a petition against plans to stop sports clubs using the Shugborough Estate.

The National Trust is taking over the running of the estate from the county council and has announced it wants to stop the use of the site by football and cricket teams, which have used the pitches for decades.

The trust wants to use the space as a 'public amenity'. The trust has confirmed the lucrative Ironman 70.3 events will still be held at Shugborough for the next two years but doubts have been raised over whether future charity events will be held there.

Compromise

Colwich parish councillors and Great Haywood residents have written to Stafford MP Jeremy Lefroy and have urged the trust to work with the community to come up with a compromise. Parish councillor Victoria Jenkinson has signed the petition, which is being circulated around the parish and sports teams.

She said: "The pitches have been part of a recreation site for decades. The

football teams in particular are struggling to find an alternative venue.

"John Libourne of the Sunday League Football Association has said they can't afford to lose any more teams."

Resident Ben Walters said the pitches were well-used and that significant investment had been made on them.

He added there had been an outcry against the trust's plans and said the decision needed further thought.

Andy Beer, the National Trust's director for the Midlands, said: "We have not seen or received a petition in regards to the sports fields at this time so we cannot comment further."

The 1975 reinvent 1980s-style pop

ALBUMS

by Leon Burakowski

'EVERYTHING has been done,' says frontman of The 1975 Matty Healy, so for their second album the Wilmslow boys seem to have gone back to reinvent the 1980s.

Acts like Duran Duran, INXS, The Police, Hall & Oates cast a shadow over the pretentiously entitled *I Like It When You Sleep, For You Are So Beautiful Yet So Unaware Of It*.

But there is no denying the popular appeal of songs like The Sound and This Must Be The Dream, whilst they out-Bieber Justin himself on Loving Someone.

The ambient sub-Sigur Ros interludes are dispensable, and the ballad Nana is mawkish.

Guests

Get your rocks off with Primal Scream - the Screamadelica outfit are back with more gospel-infused pseudo-Stones rock on 11th studio album Chaosmosis.

Bobby Gillespie and co hit the ground running with the shuffle beat and jazzy piano on the bongo-beating opener Trippin' On Your Love.

Guests on the album include Haim, Sky Ferreira and Rachel Zeffira from Cat's Eyes.

But it soon becomes apparent the Chaosmosis is missing a monster track, a Rocks.

However, the groovy Golden Rope comes close.

Iggy Pop seems to be at his best when he has collaborators to nudge him in the right direction, whether it be The Stooges in the 60s or David Bowie in the 70s. So it is with new album Post

Arranging Time, the sixth album from LA singer-songwriter Peter Yorn, is a classy set of songs from an accomplished artist who has flown under the radar for too long.

His wistful Americana with subtle touches of synth deserve a big audience, especially for such lovely tracks as Halifax and Tomorrow.

Other highlights include the dream pop of She Was Weird and the rocking In Your Head.

The Coral make a triumphant return after a five-year hiatus with their eighth studio album, Distance Inbetween, an exercise in classic, timeless psychedelic pop-rock.

In the melodic Merseyside tradition

of Echo and The Bunnymen and The Teardrop Explodes, the album was recorded at Liverpool's Parr Street Studio and the band fronted by singer/guitarist James Skelly have been joined by guitarist Paul Molloy, formerly of The Zutons.

Highlights include the harmonious pop of Miss Fortune and the harder edged Million Eyes and Fear Machine. It's certainly an impressive comeback.

Electronic duo Underworld, featuring Rick Smith and Worcester's Karl Hyde, are back with their seventh album Barbara Barbara, We Face A Shining Future, their first new music since that composed for the London Olympics Opening Ceremony.

From the percussive thud and spoken lyrics of opener Exhale, we are in familiar territory for anyone whose formative years were spent listening to Born Slippy on a loop.

It continues with the menacing techno of If Rah, the blissful sweep of Lov Burn, mysterious orientalism of Santiago Cuatro, the meditative Motorhome, out-and-out dancer Ova Nova and gorgeous epic finale Nylon Strung.



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The Trees for School Programme was to make a long-lasting and beneficial contribution to the education and development of young people by planting trees which will become a focus for outdoor learning in future years.

Meanwhile, pupils visited RAF Cosford as part of a topic looking at different types of transport.

Free chip offer for district's dog owners

CANNOCK Chase Council, working in conjunction with the Dogs Trust and Swan Pit Kennels, Gnosall, is offering residents who own a dog the chance to get their pet microchipped for free.

The event will take place at Victory Hall, in Slitting Mill Lane, Slitting Mill, on Saturday from 10am to 3pm, before the new law comes into force on April 6.

The Dogs Trust is providing the microchips, and staff from Swan Pit Kennels will be implanting them free of charge. Council officers will be on hand to give out information and offer advice to owners regarding dog fouling, keeping dogs on leads, noise nuisance and other aspects of dog control.

Owners who have a dog that has already been microchipped but have not updated their contact details must do so before April 6 to keep within the law.

Councillor Alan Dudson, portfolio leader for environment, said: "This is the last chance for dog owners who have not yet had their dog microchipped, to do so free of charge."

By David Banner

able to direct owners to the registration company.

To access the scheme, dog owners will be required to provide evidence that they are residents of the Cannock Chase district, such as a council tax or utility bill, bank statement or other document confirming their name and their address.

Councillor Alan Dudson, portfolio leader for environment, said: "This is the last chance for dog owners who have not yet had their dog microchipped, to do so free of charge."

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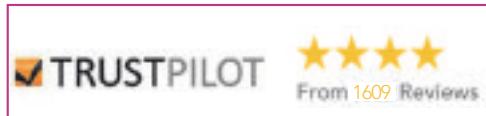
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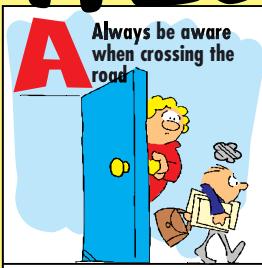


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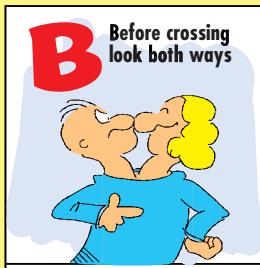


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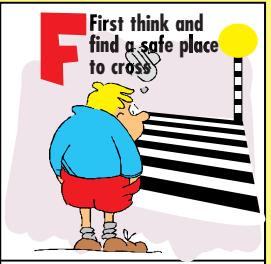
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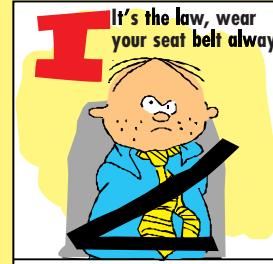
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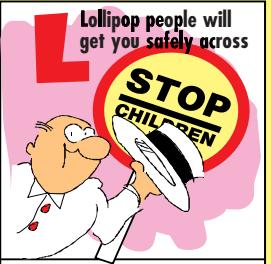
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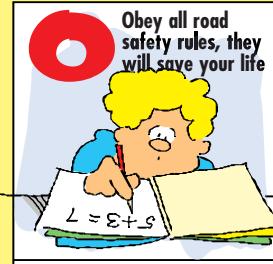
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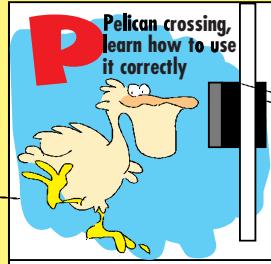
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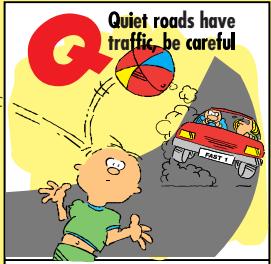
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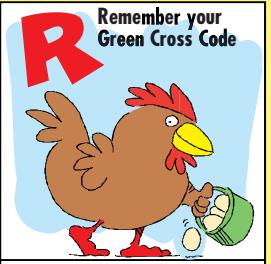
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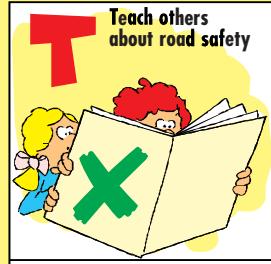
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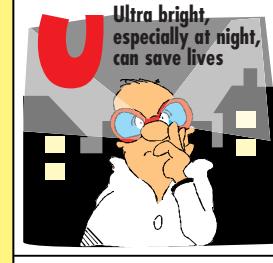
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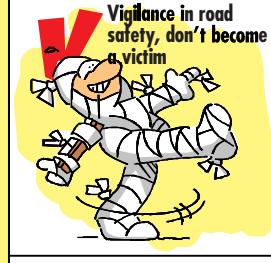
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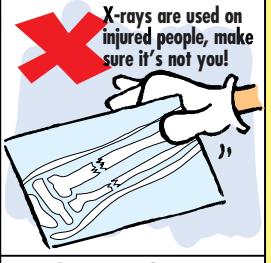
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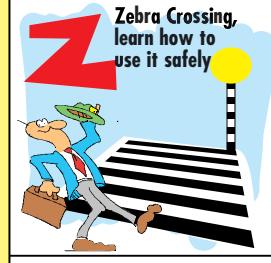
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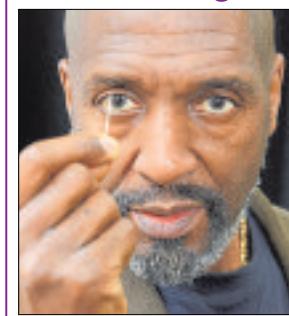
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Lesley's new role as horrid Hannigan



Lesley Joseph as Miss Hannigan in the hit musical *Annie*, which is coming to Wolverhampton Grand Photo: Paul Coltas

BIRDS of a Feather star Lesley Joseph will turn from Essex matriarch into gin-soaked American orphanage boss when ever-popular musical *Annie* arrives in Wolverhampton next week.

The actress, who found fame as snob neighbour Dorien in the hit sitcom co-starring Pauline Quirke and Linda Robson, is now taking on the role of Miss Hannigan, the spiteful harridan who attempts to cheat poor

little orphan Annie after she becomes the favourite orphan of billionaire Daddy Warbucks.

Set in 1930s New York, the show features such popular songs as *Tomorrow, It's the Hard-Knock Life* and *Easy Street*.

Lesley Joseph is relishing her role when the show is staged at the Grand Theatre from Monday to Saturday, April 9.

"This is a brand new production

of *Annie*, and it's very exciting," she says. "I get to be very horrible but I try to make my Miss Hannigan a little bit vulnerable because she's got a rotten life, she's stuck in an orphanage with no money looking after kids in the middle of The Depression."

"It is, however, a fun family musical and that's what I love – you can bring your granny or your grandchildren, and the little girls all want to be *Annie*."



Perfect for inspiration

SHE made her name with the group Fairground Attraction and their BRIT award-winning 1988 number one hit *Perfect*, the first in a hat-trick of BRITs for the Scottish singer Eddi Reader has spent the biggest part of her life working as a solo artist.

She is one of Scotland's best loved singers and sang in 2004 at the opening of the Scottish Parliament, and was awarded an MBE for outstanding contributions to the arts in the New Year's honours list of 2006.

Reader is back on the road with a solo tour that will reach Birmingham's Glee Club on Sunday, April 3, when she is looking forward to showcasing her favourites from a lifetime's worth of songs.

"I don't have secrets," she says. "I love songs and stories. I am inspired by life around me."

"I love artists like Louis Armstrong. I identify with him. There are so many brilliant human beings past and present. Kids inspire me most of all, they remind me of living in the moment."

"When I left home, I was full of adventure and wanderlust. I met like-minded people and we all conjoined on a river bank in the South of France. We ate together with the money we all made by presenting our talents in the streets of Avignon, Nimes and Uzes. It taught me about sharing, listening and selling a song without a microphone."

"I never had a plan. I just aligned myself to songs I liked and they put me in all kinds of situations."

The Final Straw for Otway and Barrett

HERE are some of the week's big highlights:

Tonight (Thu) veterans John Otway and Willy Barrett bring their Final Straw Tour to Bilton's Robin 2.

Tomorrow Montreal rock band The Besnard Lakes bring their Pink Floyd-like soundscapes to the Hare and Hounds in Kings Heath.

New Yorkers the Big Ups play Birmingham city centre's Sunflower Lounge on Saturday.

Jim Jones brings his latest band, The Righteous Mind, for raw rock at the Hare and Hounds on Tuesday, then psychedelic rockers The Vryll Society are at the same above-the-pub venue on Wednesday.

Comedy nights spring into action

THE 'Mouth of the South' – AKA comedian Rob Beckett – is coming to Shropshire and Staffordshire on his spring tour.

The toothy blond comic, known for his appearances on *Mock The Week* and *8 Out Of 10 Cats*, at The Place at Oakengates, Telford, on Saturday before returning to the region at Stafford Gatehouse on April 16, Burton's Brewhouse Arts Centre on May 19 and at Lichfield Festival on July 4.

Humour has a regional flavour at Wolverhampton Grand tomorrow night (Fri) with a Black Country Night Out featuring Jonny Cole, The Fizzogs, Dandy and The Ronaldos.

Familiar faces in murder mystery

FOLLOWING his decade-long success with The Agatha Christie Theatre Company, theatre impresario Bill Kenwright has created The Classic Thriller Theatre Company.

Its first production, *Rehearsal For Murder*, is staged at Birmingham's New Alexandra Theatre from Monday to Saturday, April 9. The cast of familiar faces from TV include Ben Nealon (from *Soldier Soldier*), Robert Daws (*Poldark*), Susan Penhaligon (*Bouquet of Barbed Wire*), Robert Duncan (*Drop The Dead Donkey*), Lucy Dixon (*Waterloo Road*), Amy Robbins (*The Royal*) and Steven Pinder (*Brookside*).

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6.00 Regional Programme.

6.10 Can't Touch This. A pest controller, a "dosey-do" dancer, and a former member of a boy-band are among the 16 contestants battling their way through a giant obstacle course. The heat of laying hands on the contestants within. Zoe Ball and Ashleigh Banfield provide as the competitors tear through the prize-filled gauntlet, which culminates in a giant leap of faith that could net them the grand prize. Narrated by Sue Perkins.

7.00 The Voice UK. The semi-finals arrive, along with the nail-biting tension associated with another round of live performances. The remaining contestants must once master their nerves and take to the stage to determine whether the tutelage they've received at the hands of Will.i.am, Ricky Wilson, Paloma Faith and Boy George has paid off. As was the case last week, the identities of those would-be stars progressing through to the grand final will be decided by the viewers at home, who are encouraged to take part in a public vote to determine which act will leave the contest.

9.05 Casualty. Connie decides to call off her romance with Jacob, but has second thoughts when he gets trapped in a partially collapsed building. Meanwhile, Ethan shares his bad news with Lily.

9.55 The National Lottery Live. The winning numbers are revealed.

10.05 BBC News; Weather.

10.25 Match of the Day. Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches, including Liverpool v Tottenham Hotspur at Anfield and Norwich City v Newcastle United at Carrow Road. National Lottery Update.

11.55 Film: *Salvage.* (2009) A woman searches for her missing daughter when a deadly creature hides out in her neighbourhood. Horror, starring Neve McIntosh.

1.10 Weather for the Week Ahead. 1.15 BBC News.

BBC2

6.30 Film: *I Remember Mama.* (1948) 8.40 *The Women's Football Show.* (R) **9.10 Film:** *A Woman's Trumpet.* (1964) 11.00 *Natural World.* (R) 12.00 *Rick Stein: French Voyage to Istanbul.* (R) 1.00 *The Best Dishes Ever.* (R) 1.30 *Richard Aistair and Judy Rogers: Talking Pictures.* (R) 2.20 *Film: Easter Parade.* (1948) Romantic musical, with Fred Astaire and Judy Garland. 4.00 *Fog It!* (R) 5.00 *Big Dreams Small Spaces.* (R)

6.00 Gardeners' World. Monty Don gets to work on his wildlife garden, ensuring there are plenty of plants in flower for early pollinators. Plus, Carol Klein visits a shaded yet thriving garden. (R)

6.30 Bake Off: *Creme de la Creme.* Tom Kerridge welcomes three teams of pastry chefs to the first heat of this contest. They are challenged to make more than 100 perfect miniature pastries in three hours for judges Benoit Blin, Cherish Finden and Claire Clark to inspect and taste. Contestants must then reinvent the apple crumble as a showpiece dessert, complete with a towering edible sculpture. (R)

7.30 Tribes, Predators & Me. Gordon Buchanan joins a group of Bushmen in Botswana's Kalahari Desert to learn about ancient survival skills, surviving on foot among wild lions. They teach him how to make fire, find honey, and gather water from desert plants, and the filmmaker watches as they hunt with poisoned arrows and track predatory lions. (R)

8.30 Dad's Army. Captain Mainwaring and the platoon offer to help Pte Godfrey's widowed friend gather in the harvest on her farm – but their well-meaning efforts end in predictable chaos. (R)

9.00 John Le Mesurier: It's All Been Rather Lovely. A portrait of the prolific actor's life and career, from his turbulent marriage to Hattie Jacques to his role as Sergeant Wilson in the wartime sitcom *Dad's Army.* (R)

10.00 Film: *Quartet.* (2012) Three former singers' plans for a fundraising concert for their retirement home are disrupted by the arrival of a famous diva. Comedy drama, with Maggie Smith and Billy Connolly.

11.35 Film: *The Lady.* (2011)

1.40 This Is BBC Two. 5.45 Great British Garden Revival. (R)

ITV

6.00 CITV: *Bottom Knocker Street.* 6.15 *Bottom Knocker Street.* (R) 6.25 *Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures.* (R) 6.35 *Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures.* (R) 6.45 *Signed Stories: Share a Story.* (R) 6.50 *Sooty.* (R) 7.00 *Smartie.* (R) 7.15 *Lightning.* (R) 7.30 *Scrambled!: Scrambled!* 7.35 *Scrambled!: Mr Bean: The Animated Series.* (R) 7.50 *Scrambled!: Horrid Henry.* (R) 8.10 *Scrambled!: Nerds & Monsters.* (R) 8.30 *Scrambled!: Thunderbirds Are Go.* (R) 9.05 *Scrambled!: The Tom & Jerry Show.* (R) 9.25 *Murder, She Wrote.* (R) 10.20 *Murder, She Wrote.* (R) 11.15 *The Jeremy Kyle Show.* (R) 12.20 *ITV News; Weather.* 12.29 *Regional Programme.*

12.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 1.30 *Judge Rinder.* (R) 2.30 *The Chase.* (R) 3.35 *Planet's Got Talent.* (R) 4.00 *Film:* *Nanny McPhee.* (2005)

6.00 Regional Programme; Weather. 6.15 **ITV News;** Weather.

6.30 New You've Been Framed!

7.00 Tom & Det's Saturday Night Takeaway. The double-act take their weekend showcase away from the confines of the studio, setting up shop on the deck of a cruise ship in Barcelona for their series finale. This week, The Hobbit star James Nesbitt takes the helm as guest announcer, while TV personality and pop star Peter Andre gets to Singalong Live with his most famous hit, *Mysterious Girl.* The culprit is finally unveiled in *Who Shot Simon Cowell?*, and tennis star Andy Murray receives a grilling from precocious mini-presenters Little Ant and Dec. The hosts enter ITV's infamous Cube for one last round of Ant v Dec, and one unsuspecting passenger receives a huge surprise. Plus, a lucky audience member is given a chance to Win the Ads, and the Geordie duo round off with an all-singing, all-dancing End of the Show Show. Last in the series.

8.30 You're Back in the Room. Former motorcycle racer Carl Fogarty and ex-Tower star Joey Essex join Phillip Schofield and illusionist Keith Barry for the hypnotism game show.

9.35 The Jonathan Ross Show.

10.45 Film: *Hot Fuzz.* (2007) Action comedy, starring Simon Pegg.

12.50 Jackpot247. 3.00 *Murder, She Wrote.* (R) 3.50 **ITV Nightscreen.**

CHANNEL 4

6.15 How I Met Your Mother. (R) 6.40 *Bottom Knocker Street.* (R) 6.25 *Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures.* (R) 6.35 *Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures.* (R) 6.45 *Signed Stories: Share a Story.* (R) 6.50 *Sooty.* (R) 7.00 *Smartie.* (R) 7.15 *Lightning.* (R) 7.30 *Scrambled!: Scrambled!* 7.35 *Scrambled!: Mr Bean: The Animated Series.* (R) 7.50 *Scrambled!: Horrid Henry.* (R) 8.10 *Scrambled!: Nerds & Monsters.* (R) 8.30 *Scrambled!: Thunderbirds Are Go.* (R) 9.05 *Scrambled!: The Tom & Jerry Show.* (R) 9.25 *The Big Bang Theory.* (R) 10.20 *The Big Bang Theory.* (R) 11.00 *The Agents of SHIELD.* 11.00 *The Superhumans Show.* 11.30 *The Big Bang Theory.* (R) 12.00 *The Big Bang Theory.* (R) 12.30 *The Bahrain Grand Prix Practice 3 Live.* The Bahrain Grand Prix qualifying session (Start-time 4.00pm). 5.30 *Speed with Guy Martin.* (R)

6.30 Channel 4 News.

7.00 The World's Weirdest Weather.

The documentary series exploring the mysteries behind bizarre climatic conditions continues, this time focusing on the weather's most colourful mysteries. Among the natural marvels highlighted are the top of a black volcano, and the bottom of a "rainbow" river.

8.00 Bearbeit Potter with Patricia Routledge. Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Beatrix Potter, this documentary sees actress Patricia Routledge following in the footsteps of the Edwardian publishing sensation. Previously seen on More4.

9.00 Film: *Identify Thief.* (2013)

Premiere. A con-woman acquires an executive's credit card numbers, and lives a life of luxury at his expense. The outraged victim sets out on a mission to track down the fraudster and bring her to justice personally – resulting in them travelling on a disastrous road trip across America together. Comedy, with Jason Bateman, Melissa McCarthy, Jon Favreau and Amanda Peet.

11.15 Film: *Siliver.* (1993) A book editor living in an apartment block begins an affair with the owner and is drawn into a series of murders. Erotic thriller, starring Sharon Stone and William Baldwin.

1.10 Hollyoaks. *Omnibus.* Holly drives to the airport to find Robbie. (R) 3.20 **Location, Location, Location.** (R) 4.15 *Selling Houses with Amanda Lamb.* 5.10 *Kirstie's Fill Your House for Free.* 5.25 **Deal or No Deal.** (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! 8.55 *The Fairly OddParents.* 9.30 *The Saturday Show Live.* 11.30 *Police Interceptors.* (R) 12.25 *Police Interceptors.* (R) 1.25 *Rookies & Raids: A Police Interceptors Special.* (R) 2.25 *Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies.* (R) 3.20 *Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies.* (R) 4.20 *Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies.* (R) 5.15 *The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies.* (R) 6.10 *NCIS: Los Angeles.* The team investigates where a man's intelligence commander, responsible for tracking the movements of a Venezuelan politician disappeared.

7.00 NCIS: New Orleans. Two US Navy foremen are murdered at a Naval Branch health clinic, and with a little help from Brody's mother Olivia, the team discovers the two dead men had been tasked with delivering a heart for a transplant operation. The planned recipient was a skilled Drafter programmer with a rare blood type, but the killers made sure to ruin the procedure by putting a bullet through the organ before making their escape. However, when the heart in question turns out to be a decoy, the team begins to suspect the culprits may have stolen the real one for a criminal with a heart defected from the FBI's most wanted list. Naval crime drama, guest starring Annie Potts.

8.00 NCIS. The team uncovers a fraudulent charity that preys on those searching for missing military personnel while investigating the murder of a retired Master Sergeant.

8.55 5 News Weekend.

9.00 The Championship: *Football League Tonight.* Kelly Cates and George Riley present extended highlights of the weekend's top matches from the Championship, including Hull City v Bristol City and Brighton & Hove Albion v Burnley.

10.00 Goal Rush: *Football League Tonight.*

A round-up of the latest matches in League One and League Two, including Burton Albion v Bury, Shrewsbury Town v Wigan Athletic and Mansfield Town v Northampton Town.

10.30 NCIS: Greatest Ever Episodes. (R)

11.25 NCIS: Greatest Ever Episodes. (R)

12.15 SuperCasino. 3.10 *Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.* (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Four

7.00 *Treasures of the Indus.* 8.00 *Human Planet.* 9.00 *Follow the Money.* 11.00 *TOTP2: 80s Special.* 12.00 *Boy George and Culture Club: Karma to Calamity.* 1.00 *Top of the Pops: 1981.* 1.35 *Top of the Pops: 1981.* 2.10 *One-Hit Wonders at the BBC.* 3.10 *Sounds of the 70s.* 3.40 *Close ITV2*

11.00 *Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway.* 12.35 *The Almost Impossible Gameshow.* 1.30 *Scorpion 2.25 Film: A Little Princess.* (1995) 2.35 *FYI Daily.* 3.30 *Film: A Little Princess.* (1995) 4.25 *Britain's Got More Talent: Top 10 Comedy Moments.* 5.30 *Film: Happy Feet.* (2006) 6.30 *FYI Daily.* 7.35 *Film: Happy Feet.* (2006) 8.00 *Film: The Mummy Returns.* 8.45 *FYI Daily.* 9.40 *Film: The Mummy Returns.* 10.00 *Film: The Mummy Returns.* 10.50 *Film: Family Guy.* 11.45 *American Dad!* 12.45 *Film: The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift.* (2006) 1.45 *FYI Daily.* 2.45 *Film: The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift.* (2006) 2.35 *Tinie Tempah: The Hot Desk.*

ITV4

1.25 *FYI Daily.* 1.30 *Film: Carry On Matron.* (1972) 2.15 *A Touch of Frost.*

4.25 Film: *Columbo: The Bye-Bye Sky-High.* 5.00 *Murder Case.* (1977) 6.00 *Midsomer Murders.* 8.00 *Foyles War.* 10.00 *Inspector Morse.* 12.25 *Blue Murder.* 1.55 *Doctor in the House.* 2.20 *ITV3 Nightscreen.* 2.30 *Teleshopping.*

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1.35 *Film:* *The Rawhide Years.* (1956) 4.00 *Film:* *Dr No.* (1962) 5.00 *FYI Daily.* 5.05 *Film:* *Dr No.* (1962) 6.15 *The Snooker Mavericks.* 7.15 *Film: Police Academy 3: Back in Training.* (1986) 8.15 *FYI Daily.* 8.20 *Film: Police Academy 3: Back in Training.* (1986) 9.00 *Film:* *Driven to Kill.* (2009) 10.00 *FYI Daily.* 10.05 *Film:* *Driven to Kill.* (2009) 11.00 *Live FIA Formula E Championship: The Long Beach ePrix.* 1.30 *Hell on Wheels.* 2.30 *Hogan's Heroes.* 2.55 *ITV4 Nightscreen.* 3.00 *Teleshopping.*

Film4

1.00 *New Girl.* 1.30 *The Goldbergs.* 3.00 *Brooklyn Nine-Nine.* 4.00 *Film:* *17 Again.* (2009) 6.00 *The Big Bang Theory.* 9.00 *Film:* *Red.* (2010) 11.15 *Gogglebox.* 1.25 *Rude Tube.* 2.30 *How I Met Your Mother.* 3.20 *Gogglebox.* 4.15 *How I Met Your Mother.* 4.35 *Revenge.*

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1.00 *Sister Act.* (1992) 3.05 *Stuart Little.* (1999) 4.45 *Jungle 2 Jungle.* 6.45 *Adventures in Babysitting.* (1987) 8.50 *Oblivion.* 9.00 *Interview Special.* 9.00 *Alien.* (1979) 11.15 *The Moth Diaries.* (2011)

Beatrix Potter with Patricia Routledge
(Channel 4, 8pm)

Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Beatrix Potter, this documentary sees actress Patricia Routledge following in the footsteps of the Edwardian publishing sensation. She discovers what fired the author's imagination and where her love and understanding of animals was born. As an actress, Patricia played Beatrix on stage in the 1990s. In her present role as patron of the Beatrix Potter Society, and with access to rare drawings, letters and artefacts held at the V&A Archive, she discovers the woman behind the myth. Previously seen on More4.

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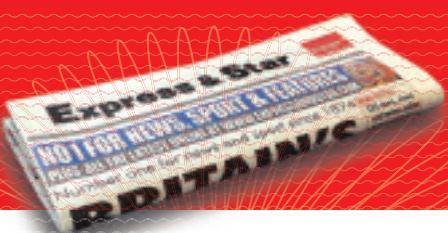
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Keeley Hawes

The Durrells
(ITV, 8pm)

New series. In 1935, beleaguered Bournemouth mother Louisa Durrell decides to uproot her family and build a new life on the sun-drenched island of Corfu. However, with money problems and four unruly children to care for, even a new start might not be enough to banish her troubles. Period drama, starring Keeley Hawes, Josh O'Connor, Milo Parker, Daisy Waterstone, Callum Woodhouse, James Cosmo, Alexis Georgoulis, Yorgos Karamihos, Anna Savva, Max Beaufort, Ben Hall, Nick Orestis Chaniotakis, Andrew Bicknell, Graham Seed and Hara Ermida, based on Gerard Durrell's trilogy of Corfu memoirs, which includes *My Family and Other Animals*.

BBC1

- 6.00 Breakfast. 7.25 Match of the Day. (R) 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Wanted Down Under Revisited. (R) 12.00 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.15 The One Show. (R) 2.15 Secret Britain. (R) 3.15 Escapes to the Country. (R) 4.00 Points of View. 4.15 Songs Praise. 5.00 Life in the Round. (R) 6.00 Paul O'Grady: The Sally Army And Me. The presenter teaches troubled teenagers how to bake, helps a homeless man who has finally got a roof over his head to move, and is persuaded to perform a rap song.
- 6.30 BBC News.
- 6.50 Regional Programme.
- 7.00 Countryfile. An episode devoted to cattle, in which Matt Baker meets a farmer who got into the business after a fund-raising campaign on social media, who discusses the current state of the beef trade. Helen Skelton visits a tannery using traditional methods to produce leather, and Anita Rani meets an artist who paints on vellum. Adam Henson meets another of this year's Countryfile Farming Hero nominees, and Charlotte Smith asks if large indoor dairy herds are a more efficient way of making milk. Including: Weather for the Week Ahead.
- 8.00 Antiques Roadshow. The team values more decorative objects and rarities.
- 9.00 Undercover. New series. Legal drama, starring Sophie Okonedo as the director of Public Prosecutions, who uses her position to bring about justice for a murdered activist. With Adrian Lester.
- 10.00 BBC News.
- 10.20 Regional Programme.
- 10.30 Match of the Day 2. Mark Chapman reviews the latest Premier League action, featuring Leicester City v Southampton at the King Power Stadium and Manchester United v Everton at Old Trafford.
- 11.35 Film: *Butterfly on a Wheel*. (2007) A couple's daughter is kidnapped by a criminal who forces them into a course of action that will ruin their lives. Thriller, starring Pierce Brosnan.
- 1.05 Weather for the Week Ahead. 1.10 BBC News.

BBC2

- 6.45 This Farming Life. (R) 7.45 Gardeners' World. (R) 8.15 An Island Parish. (R) 8.45 The Beechgrove Garden. 9.15 Countryfile. (R) 10.15 Saturday Kitchen. Best Bites. 11.00 BBC Earth. 12.00 Events. (R) 12.15 MOTOTV Extra. 1.00 Film: *Silk Stockings*. (1957) Musical, starring Fred Astaire and Cyd Charisse. 2.55 Flog It! (R) 3.30 Figure Skating. 5.00 The Hairy Bikers' Northern Exposure. (R)
- 6.00 The Secret History of My Family. Documentary charting 200 years of social history by exploring different family trees. (R)
- 7.00 Bletchley Park: Code-Breaking's Forgotten Genius. Mathematician and cryptanalyst Gordon Welchman was one of the original elite codebreakers at Bletchley Park and played a crucial part in the Allies defeating Germany. After the war, he moved to America to work at the heart of the computer revolution and was employed by defence contractor the Mitre Corporation, where he was involved in top-secret research. In this programme, academic John Naughton and former CIA analyst David Sheppard examine Welchman's pioneering work in the field of traffic analysis led directly to today's secret state surveillance, as revealed by whistleblower Edward Snowden. (R)
- 8.00 Natural Born Winners. The athletes visit Turkey, where they learn oil wrestling from one of the sport's greatest champions. When they watch a match, they realise it is more dangerous than they thought.
- 9.00 Tribes, Predators & Me. Gordon Buchanan travels to Papua New Guinea, where he meets a tribe that lives alongside crocodiles and is taught to hunt their predators with his bare hands. Last in the series.
- 10.00 Thirteen. Ivy is forced to risk her life and confront her past to save Phoebe, as the Moxam family is plunged into the same horror they faced 13 years previously. Last in the series.
- 11.00 The People v OJ Simpson: American Crime Story. Detectives work closely with the prosecutors to find flashier evidence for the jury. (R)
- 11.40 Film: *Snow Cake*. (2005) 1.25 Sign Zone; Countryfile. (R) 2.20 Holby City. (R) 3.20 This is BBC Two.

ITV

- 6.00 CITV: Bottom Knocker Street. 6.15 Bottom Knocker Street. (R) 6.25 Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) 6.35 Dino Dan: Tree's Adventures. (R) 6.45 Signed Starling Share a Story. (R) 6.50 Soothi. (R) 7.05 Gumball. (R) 7.15 Gumball. (R) 7.30 Scrambled!: Mr Bean: The Animated Series. (R) 7.50 Scrambled!: Horrid Henry. (R) 8.10 Scrambled!: Nerds & Monsters. (R) 8.30 Scrambled!: Teen Titans Go! (R) 9.05 Scrambled!: The Tom & Jerry Show. (R) 9.25 FIA Formula E Championship. 10.20 Murder, She Wrote. (R) 11.20 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 12.25 ITV News; Weather. 12.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 1.40 River Monsters. (R) 2.40 Big Star's Little Star. (R) 3.40 Off Their Rockers. (R) 4.10 Film: *The Living Daylights*. (1987) James Bond adventure, starring Timothy Dalton.
- 6.35 Regional Programme; Weather. 6.40 ITV News; Weather.
- 7.00 The Chase Celebrity Special. Bradley Walsh presents as DJ Scott Mills, actress Sunetra Sarker, boxer Anthony Ogogo and TV presenter Johnny Ball pit their wits against ruthless quiz genius the Chaser in the hope of winning a potential prize pot worth thousands of pounds. They must work as a team and play strategically to answer general knowledge questions against the clock and race down the game board to the exit without being caught.
- 8.00 The Durrells. New series. In 1935, beleaguered Bournemouth mother Louisa Durrell decides to uproot her family and build a new life on the sun-drenched island of Corfu. However, with money problems and four unruly children to care for, even a new start might not be enough to banish her troubles. Period drama, starring Keeley Hawes, based on Gerard Durrell's trilogy of Corfu memoirs, which includes *My Family and Other Animals*.
- 9.00 Home Fires. New series. The WI of Great Paxford live under a shadow as the Battle of Britain looms. Pat befriends a Czech soldier, but finds independence less enjoyable than expected.
- 10.00 ITV News; Weather.
- 10.15 The Olivier Awards 2016. 12.00 Premiership Football. 12.55 Jackpot247. 3.00 ITV Nighthouse. 5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R)

CHANNEL 4

- 6.15 How I Met Your Mother. (R) 6.40 How I Met Your Mother. (R) 7.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.30 Friends. (R) 9.00 Events. (R) 9.30 Sunday Brunch. 12.20 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. (R) 1.35 The Big Bang Theory. (R) 2.00 The Big Bang Theory. (R) 3.00 Formula 1: Bahrain Grand Prix Live. The Bahrain Grand Prix (Start-time 4.00pm).
- 6.30 Speed with Guy Martin: F1 Special. Ahead of the new Formula 1 season on Channel 4 this weekend, Guy Martin goes head to head with racing legend David Coulthard in the ultimate test of bike against car. With David in a Red Bull RB8 Formula 1 car and Guy on his Tyco BMW Superbike, the pair race in a series of challenges including a drag race, a brake test, slalom and a full-on circuit race. There's also entertainment in the pit as they compete in mental challenges, testing their fitness and endurance and exploring the science behind their chosen racing machines. (R)
- 7.30 Channel 4 News.
- 8.00 Great Canal Journeys. Timothy West and Prunella Scales' waterway adventures. Last in the series.
- 9.00 Indian Summers. The club holds a fashion show, but the glamorous evening turns ugly when a guest reveals the identity of the culprit a mystery. Ralph takes it upon himself to play detective and bring the perpetrator to justice himself, but the truth turns out to be more terrible than he could have imagined and threatens to leave his political career in tatters. Elsewhere, Sirene continues to cause chaos in Simla, as she clashes with Cynthia and wreaks havoc in Ralph and Madeleine's marriage.
- 10.00 Gogglebox. Capturing the households' instant reactions to what they are watching on TV from the comfort of their own sofas. (R)
- 11.00 Formula One: Bahrain Grand Prix Highlights.
- 12.00 Film: *I Love You Phillip Morris*. (2009) 1.45 Embarrassing Bodies Down Under. (R) 2.40 Come Dine with Me. (R) 4.50 Kirstie's Fill Your House for Free. 5.05 Location, Location, Location. (R)

CHANNEL 5

- 6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. 6.05 Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) 6.20 Angelina Ballerina. (R) 6.30 Bob the Builder. (R) 6.45 Ticky Toc. (R) 6.55 Zack and Quack. (R) 7.05 Make Way for Noddy. (R) 7.30 The Queen's Diamond Jubilee. (R) 7.45 Disney Princess. (R) 7.45 Pip Ahoy! (R) 7.55 Blaze and the Monster Machines. (R) 8.20 Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) 8.35 Wanda and the Alien. (R) 8.50 Toby's Travelling Circus. (R) 9.00 Jelly Jamm. (R) 9.20 LazyTown. (R) 9.45 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. 10.20 The Championships: Football League Tonight. (R) 11.20 Goal Rush: Football League Tonight. (R) 11.50 The Gadget Show.
- 12.45 Police Interceptors. (R) 1.45 Greatest Animated Movies. (R) 4.40 Film: *Legends of Oz: Dorothy's Return*. (2013) Premiere. Animated fantasy, with the voice of Lea Michele.
- 6.20 Film: *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*. (1937) Premiere. Disney animated version of the Brothers Grimm story about a princess driven from her home into a sinister forest by her evil stepmother. She is taken in by a group of kindly dwarf miners, but her happiness is threatened when her stepmother arrives, having eaten a poisoned apple. The first ever feature length animated movie, with the voices of Adriana Caselotti and Lucille La Verne.
- 8.00 Now That's Funny! Featuring failures in 3D and some unlucky beginners. Plus, the latest stars of the week.
- 8.55 5 News Weekend.
- 9.00 Penn & Teller: Fool Us in Vegas. Jonathan Ross is enlisted to help two of the world's best illusionists, assisting on a card trick and an act involving drawing. Plus, a performer attempts to use mental trickery on Penn and Teller and a fourth act makes animals disappear and comes up with a new twist on the classic cup and ball routine. Finally, Penn and Teller recruit a member of the audience for a knife-throwing act.
- 10.00 Film: *Carrie*. (2013) Premiere. A teenage girl finally snaps and uses her psychic powers to avenge herself on the bullies who tormented her. Horror remake, starring Chloe Grace Moretz and Julianne Moore.
- 12.00 Johnstone's Paint Trophy Football. 12.55 SuperCasino. 3.10 The Tube: Going Underground. (R) 4.00 Wildlife SOS. (R) 4.50 Great Artists. (R)

DIGITAL

- BB Four
- 7.00 Sir Peter Maxwell Davies: Master and Maverick. 8.00 Pappano's Classical Voices 9.00 A Fanatic Heart: Geldof on Yeats 10.40 Film: Age of Uprising: The Legend of Michael Kohlhaas (2013) 12.35 Dan Cruickshank: Resuscitating History - Warsaw 12.35 Close
- ITV2
- 11.30 Take Me Out 12.45 Celebrity Catchphrase. 1.45 Film: Peter Pan (2003) 2.45 FYI Daily 2.50 Film: Peter Pan (2003) 3.55 Britain's Got More Talent: Top 10 Animal Acts 4.55 Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway. 6.25 Film: King Kong (2005) 7.25 FYI Daily 1.30 Film: King Kong (2005) 10.00 Family Guy 1.30 Borderline 12.00 American Dad!
- 12.55 The Cleveland Show 1.50 @ eleven 2.15 Ariana Grande: The Hot Desk 2.25 Teleshopping 5.55 ITV2 Nightscreen
- ITV3
- 11.20 Film: Columbo: The Bye-Bye Sky-High IQ Murder Case (1977) 12.50 A Touch of Frost 5.00 Midsummer Murders 7.00 Doc Martin 8.00 By Default: Appointment 9.00 Great Estates of Scotland 10.15 Film: The American President (1995) 11.15 FYI Daily 11.20 Film: The American President (1995) 12.35 The Kindness of Strangers 2.05 Wycliffe 3.00 May the Best House Win 4.40 On the Buses 5.35 Judge Judy 5.55 ITV3 Nightscreen
- ITV4
- 6.15 The Goodwood Members Meeting 7.15 Football's Greatest: George Best 7.30 Pawn Stars 8.00 Premiership Rugby Union 9.00 Film: Police Academy (1984) 10.00 FYI Daily 10.05 Film: Police Academy (1984) 11.00 FYI Daily Driven to Kill (2009) 12.05 FYI Daily 12.10 Film: Driven to Kill (2009) 1.10 The Sweeney 2.05 Ax Men 3.00 Teleshopping
- E4
- 2.55 Toy Story Toons 3.25 Ice Age: The Great Egg-Scape 3.55 Rude(ish) Tube Shorts 4.00 Rude(ish) Tube 4.25 The Big Bang Theory 9.00 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD 10.00 Tattoo Fixers 11.00 Rude Tube 12.05 The Aliens 1.10 The 100 2.10 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD 2.55 Rules of Engagement 3.40 Hollyoaks Film 4
- 11.00 Judy Moody and the Not Bummer Summer (2011) 1.00 Sunshine on Leith (2013) 3.05 Stuart Little 2 (2002) 4.40 Home Alone (1990) 6.45 Grease 2 (1982) 9.00 Red 2 (2013)

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MONDAY

Deadly Suspicion, Channel 5, 3.20pm

The estranged members of the Danville family are reunited when their patriarch, a prominent politician, is murdered. However, one of them is missing – an unstable daughter who was abandoned in a mental institution years before. When news reaches them that she escaped on the night of the killing, they realise she could be the culprit – and they could be next.

Thriller, starring Marilu Henner. (2008)

TUESDAY

Stolen Child, Channel 5, 3.20pm

A couple who have tried unsuccessfully to conceive resort to adopting a baby from Eastern Europe. However, their newfound happiness is shattered when they discover the disturbing series of events that brought the child into their lives. Drama, starring Emmanuelle Vaugier and Corbin Bernsen. (2012)



The Living Daylights, Friday, ITV, 10.40pm

WEDNESDAY

The Charge of the Light Brigade, BBC2, 1.50pm

A British major and his brother stationed in India during the Crimean War become rivals when they fall in love with the same woman. An allied local ruler betrays the British, carrying out a massacre of civilians and prompting the major to swear revenge on him – ultimately leading a suicidal attack on an enemy artillery position. Fact-based drama, starring Errol Flynn, Olivia de Havilland and Nigel Bruce. (1936)

THURSDAY

Deadly Daycare, Channel 5, 3.25pm

A divorcee suspects a nursery is mistreating her young daughter. Thriller, starring Kayla Ewell. Edited for daytime broadcast. (2014)

FRIDAY

The Living Daylights, ITV, 10.40pm

James Bond crosses the continents to help a KGB agent to defect to the West. While protecting him from an unknown assassin, the super-spy is drawn into the world of arms dealing. Action adventure, with Timothy Dalton making his debut appearance as 007, alongside Maryam d'Abo, Joe Don Baker and Art Malik. (1987)

Marcella faces a deadly blast from the past

In 2014, the Swedish-Danish crime thriller *The Bridge* began a run on BBC Four.

Fans of the series may be interested to know that its creator, Hans Rosenfeldt, is also the man behind this new drama, his first British project.

"Turin is a city in the north of Italy that I don't know much about, but it was there that Marcella was born," reveals Rosenfeldt. "I was there to talk about *The Bridge*, and my thoughts on the remakes that have been made. It's there that I met TV executive Nicola Larder."

"Later, at a very nice dinner, she said she had an idea about a police series set in London, where we meet the protagonist at her lowest ebb, having just been left by her husband, with her kids away at boarding school and a serial killer from the past reappearing. Would I be interested in developing it further? The answer to that, as you've probably guessed, was yes."

Of course, cops on the edge aren't

exactly a rarity – in fact, millions of us have recently been gripped by the second series of *Happy Valley*, in which Sarah Lancashire played Catherine Cawood, a police sergeant still somehow picking herself up and carrying on with her life despite being repeatedly hit by slings and arrows, including a psychopath determined to grind her down from inside his prison cell.

Here, the action takes place in London rather than West Yorkshire, and focuses on Marcella Backland, played by Anna Friel.

When we first meet her, Marcella is heartbroken by the break-up of her marriage and needs a new purpose. As a result, she returns to the police career she gave up 10 years previously, and throws herself into her work with the Met's Murder Squad to stop herself falling apart.

Her first case involves a serial killer whose reason d'être appears to be the same of a murderer she was trying to find in 2005. Has he started a new killing spree, or have the crimes been committed by a copycat?

"Anna Friel was the only actress I had in my head," says Larder. "I'd worked with her briefly and I knew she was this incredibly powerful method actress. And I'd missed her – she hasn't been in the UK for a while. She's the right age for this character and emotionally she just lets herself go into a part."

"Thankfully her first meeting with us went really well. I felt she had plugged herself into mine and Hans's bodies and she understood this character from the inside out."

Larder also claims that it still "feels fresh" to have a female lead character in a major drama series, despite many examples of that happening, including in the aforementioned *Happy Valley*, as well as the likes of *Scott and Bailey* and, of course, the mighty *Prime Suspect*.

She also neglects to mention the Nordic flavour brought to the BBC's *River* by Stellan Skarsgård, but we'll forgive her these omissions if Marcella lives up to its promise.



Anna Friel stars in Marcella, Monday, ITV, 9pm

BEST OF THE REST

MONDAY

Neighbours: Hotel Death Trap**Channel 5, 5.30pm**

It's all kicking off in Erinsborough this week! Over the years viewers have witnessed some extraordinary (and, occasionally, unbelievable moments) during the long-running soap, but those in the know claim that this may top the lot – we're certainly not used to the usually family friendly programme requiring a post-watershed slot. It all begins with everything seemingly ticking over as normal at the Lasister's leisure complex. Everyone is going about their business, unaware that somebody is tampering with its boiler. As a variety of meetings and assignations get under way – including a secret rendezvous, surprise encounters and the arrival of two mystery men – the boiler explodes, leaving some well-known faces buried and trapped beneath the resulting debris. But who will survive the carnage?

TUESDAY

Murdered By My Father**BBC1, 10.45pm**

In 2014, BBC Three brought us the award-winning one-off drama *Murdered By My Boyfriend*, which explored the issues of domestic abuse. Now the channel is bringing us this powerful drama, which is

airing on TV after receiving its debut online, and tackles the controversial subject of honour violence in Britain. Kiran Sonia Sawar stars as teenager Salma, whose widowed father Shahzad (Adel Akhtar) is determined to find her a suitable husband, and thinks he has picked one in the shape of Haroon (Salman Akhtar). However, Salma has fallen for Imi (Mawaan Rizwan), who urges her to leave her family and marriage arrangements behind in favour of a new life. When Haroon confronts Shahzad about his daughter's actions, the scene is set for more than one tragedy...

WEDNESDAY

The People Next Door**Channel 4, 9pm**

The award-winning team behind *Cyberbully* and *Blackout* are back with another thought-provoking one-off drama that raises some difficult questions. It begins with a young middle-class couple being interviewed by the police following an altercation with their neighbours. A series of flashbacks reveal that parents-to-be Gemma (Joanna Horton) and Richard (*Happy Valley*'s Karl

Davies) moved into their home two months ago and, after hearing sounds of rows and violence through the wall, they begin to suspect that one the neighbours' children is at risk of abuse. When the authorities fail to intervene, Gemma and Richard use increasingly elaborate surveillance methods to find out what is really happening next door. Are their intrusive actions justified if it means protecting a child, or are the snooping couple the real neighbours from hell?

THURSDAY

Millionaires' Mansions**Channel 4, 8pm**

New series. London's housing market is booming, thanks to foreign investors buying property worth more than £100 billion – and as a result the luxury interior design industry is flourishing. This documentary follows three



Murdered By My Father, Tuesday, BBC1, 10.45pm

prestigious designers working for some of the capital's wealthiest clients. They include Joanna Wood, who has been designing houses for royal families and Hollywood film stars for 30 years, and Brian Wade, who has spent the past four-and-a-half years designing a seven-storey Knightsbridge townhouse, with furniture including a stingray-skin coffee table and a chandelier made from Hyde Park leaves dipped in gold.

FRIDAY

Football: Women's Euro 2017 Qualifiers**BBC2, 7.30pm**

There will be no room for complacency for World Cup semi-finalists England tonight as they face Belgium in their latest Euro 2017 Qualifier at Rotherham United's New York Stadium. After the 8-0 drubbing of Estonia in Tallinn, Mark Sampson's Lionesses were just squeezed through their last qualifier 1-0 at home to Bosnia & Herzegovina, thanks to a Jill Scott winner. And they are also looking to bounce back after failing to win any of their three games against Germany, USA and France in last month's inaugural SheBelieves Cup in America. Presenter Jacqui Oatley is joined in the studio by England internationals Kelly Smith and Rachel Brown-Finnis, while commentary is provided by Jonathan Pearce and Sue Smith.

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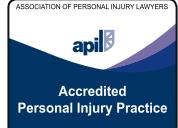


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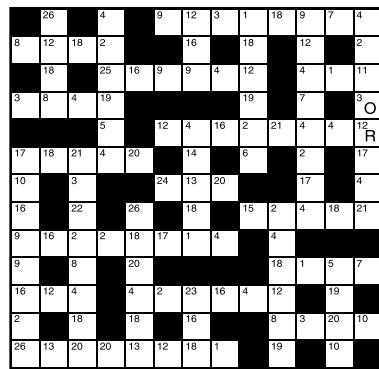
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Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

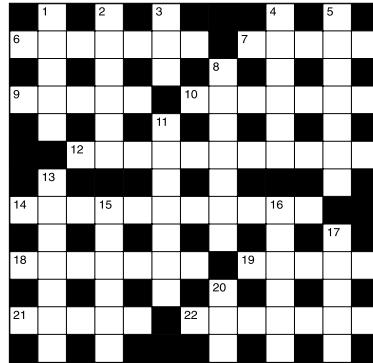
Cryptic Clues:

Across

- Be understanding and get along somehow (4,3)
- In the main he gets down to his work (5)
- Frui brought up in a container (3)
- A case of perhaps private possessions? (3-3)
- It's beastly being a long time in one occupation (7)
- Having no saving graces? (11)
- Not a difficult thing to eat? (5,2,4)
- His money may be well-earned! (7)
- One has no right to take things so (5)
- About enough for one shot (5)
- Succeed in losing one's balance? (4,3)

Down

- Obtain part of South Africa by birth? (5)
- Such action will be involuntary (6)
- Frui brought up in a container (3)
- A case of perhaps private possessions? (3-3)
- It's beastly being a long time in one occupation (7)
- He's not free, yet may have time! (7)
- Soldier on a horse or military ship (7)
- Acid criticism (7)
- Stop a letter giving settlement (6)
- Lot of Arabs (6)
- The general idea in current travel (5)
- He has nothing inside for gardeners (3)



Quick Clues:

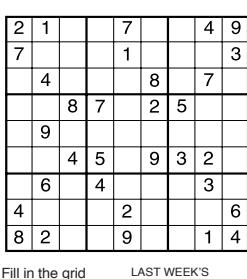
Across

- Harmed (7)
- Wed (5)
- To object (5)
- Malady (7)
- Secret (11)
- Cows (11)
- Hard-hearted (7)
- Talk (5)
- Trivial (5)
- Bill (7)

Down

- Come in (5)
- Reciprocal (6)
- Lair (3)
- Mourn (6)
- Gift (7)
- Generous (7)
- Old-fashioned (7)
- Incensed (7)
- Creeks (6)
- Use (6)
- Haggard (5)
- Perform (3)

Sudoku

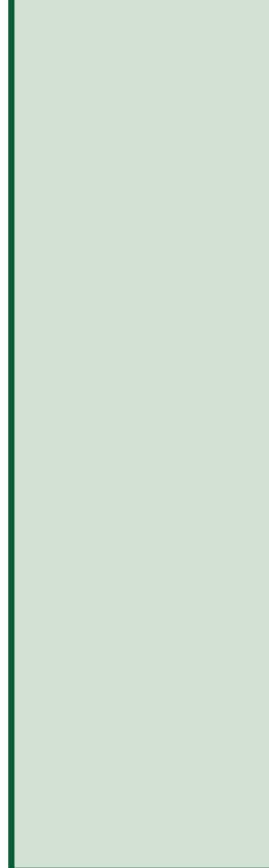


Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Head-waiter; 7 Orbit; 8 Inertia; 10 Not right; 11 Pays; 13 Feeler; 15 Beings; 17 Undo; 18 Lukewarm; 21 Threats; 22 Eaten; 23 Denigrated. Down: 1 Habit; 2 Attained; 3 Weight; 4 Item; 5 Entrain; 6 Found fault; 9 Assessment; 12 Tenement; 14 Endorse; 16 Puzzler; 19 Selected; 20 Taxing; 21 - Adversary; 22 Interfered; 7 Bedevilled; 10 Intruder; 11 Flag; 13 Abduct; 15 Lesser; 17 Oust; 18 Defender; 21 Younger; 22 About; 23 Tenderness. Down: 1 Fight; 2 Renounce; 3 Billiet; 4 Drab; 5 Nonplus; 6 Obligatory; 9 Regenerate; 12 Venerable; 14 Dispute; 16 Bearer; 19 Dross; 20 Aged.

Thinking space



Quiz

- Who missed the last penalty of World Cup 94?
- Which part of the brain controls balance and coordination?
- Which animal has red, grey and Arctic varieties?
- Of what nationality is golfer Nick Price?
- In which river are the Thousand Islands?
- Who was the father-in-law of Moses?
- Which poet's middle name was Bysshe?
- Which Dutch queen's husband was Prince Bernhard?
- Which French philosopher coined the term 'property is theft'?
- To which family does the okapi belong?

Last week's solutions:

Quiz: 1 WWI; 2 Denmark and Norway; 3 Lothian; 4 The Lion King; 5 Human Immunodeficiency Virus; 6 Napoleon Bonaparte; 7 Month; 8 Danish; 9 John Prescott; 10 Romansch.

Niner

Niner

Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters.

2359 gives a garment,
581495 gives another garment,
967895 gives a third garment.

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Can't go wrong – the steak and six (count them) chips



Fine dining in the Orangery Restaurant



Picture perfect – the restaurant's picturesque setting



Tasty – goat's cheese and ricotta ravioli

It's fine dining at Moat House but you may have to push the boat out

SET in a 14th century manor house in a quaint rural Staffordshire village, family-run restaurant **The Moat House**, in Acton Trussell, is a beautiful venue.

It's set in splendid surroundings – complete with a moat – and is the perfect destination for an indulgent treat. Its award-winning Orangery Restaurant is renowned for superior quality, excellent service and stunning presentation; but also its price menu but as the saying goes, you get what you pay for.

The tasting menu, for example, costs £60 each – or £90 each with paired wines carefully selected to complement every dish. Its gourmet menu costs £45 per head, for a four-course meal, complete with amuse-bouche, fresh bread, vegetable panache, filter coffee and petit fours.

By Kirsten Rawlins

The eatery does, however, now have a 'fixed price menu', with three courses priced at £24 between 6.30-7.30pm, Sunday to Friday, making this high-end venue far more affordable for a regular trip.

The food, needless to say, remains every bit as high-quality and delicious as we'd hoped – but more on that later.

My partner and I visited The Moat House on a rainy Thursday evening after a long day at work and, though the pair of us were tired we were immediately put at ease by the attentive staff in the restaurant, complete with sparkling chandeliers and crisp, white tablecloths.

It is often the case that fixed price menus are limited to few options, but The Moat House's list was packed with delicious foods – from pig cheek and cured mackerel

for starters, through to roast guinea fowl, sirloin steak and cod in browned butter for mains. After studying the options, my other half opted for the oriental pig cheek for a starter, and I for the goat's cheese and ricotta ravioli.

My ravioli was cheesy, tender and delicious. The oriental pig cheek, meanwhile, was tender and meaty, marinated in a tasty coating.

Treated

Before the starters arrived, we were treated to a basket of seeded and non-seeded bread, followed by a shot glass of celery and garlic soup.

Due to my desire to try outlandish foods – and my partner's tendency to stick to what he knows – we rarely end up eating the same meals when dining out, but this time around there was no doubt about what

we wanted: the Staffordshire sirloin steak.

And, though the meat was fairly tender, had no gristle and was cooked as we'd requested, it was – for all intents and purposes – a fairly average steak and chips. The dish came with a side of buttery vegetables and six stacked chips.

As it happened, we were full, but the sweets looked too tempting, so we settled for the Valrhona dulce chocolate panna cotta and the banana and caramel arctic roll. And, my goodness, they were the best desserts I think I've ever had the delight of trying.

Considering we visited the restaurant on a Thursday – and by 9pm there was barely a table left – I would certainly recommend booking in advance, especially at weekends.

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THIS extended family home in Stephenson Way, Hednesford, has been finished to a very high standard and has generous accommodation.

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Traditional semi is very well presented

EXTREMELY well presented, this extended traditional three-storey semi-detached house in York Road, Stafford, is positioned at the head of a cul-de-sac.

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The good sized family accommodation briefly comprises an entrance hall, lounge, dining room, a re-styled kitchen, an L-shaped conservatory, a guest WC, a master bedroom with an en-suite, two further bedrooms and a family bathroom.

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Family home has price tag of £300,000



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Having double glazing and gas central heating it has a living room with double doors into a dining room which has patio doors, kitchen with built-in oven with a four-ring gas hob and cooker hood, integrated fridge and a pantry, bedroom one en-suite, three further bedrooms and a bathroom.

The rear garden has a paved patio area, neat lawn area, timber decking area and a garden shed. For details contact Skitts on 01902 686868 or visit www.skitts.net

Extended cul-de-sac semi is handy for town centre



Character home still has original features

A WELL planned semi-detached property, The Pines, Walsall, is a pleasant cul-de-sac close to the town centre.

It is for sale through Edwards Moore at £165,000. The accommodation has been extended at first-floor level to offer excellent sized family living accommodation.

With double glazing and recently upgraded central heating the well planned property includes a porch, reception hall with useful cloaks

cupboards, extended through lounge/dining room, re-fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, garage, fore garden with parking and a neat enclosed rear garden.

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Excellent opportunity to acquire appealing home



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- Three Bedroom Detached Bungalow
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Dining Room
- Bathroom
- Garage
- EPC = D



New!

Offers around
£254,995

Wimblebury Road
Heath Hayes

- Two Bedroom Mid Terraced House
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Downstairs Bathroom
- EPC = D



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Offers around
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Mount Avenue
Hednesford

- Three Bed Semi-Detached
- Lounge
- Refitted Kitchen With Dining Area
- Good Sized Rear Garden
- Cul-De-Sac Setting
- EPC = D



Ascot Drive
Cannock



REDUCED

£130,000

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached
- Kitchen With Dining Area
- Lounge
- Off Road Parking To Front
- Convenient Access To Town
- EPC = D

Hall Farm Close
Wolverhampton



£240,000

- Three Bed Link Detached House
- Two Reception Rooms
- Sought After Village Location
- Gardens To Front & Rear
- Garage & Driveway
- EPC = TBA

Station Court, Cannock



NEW PRICE!
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Offers around £135,000

This lovely two bedroom, mid terraced home is situated close to Cannock Town Centre and is also conveniently located for easy access to the train station. The accommodation is spread over two floors and comprises: entrance hall with guest WC, useful storage cupboard, fitted kitchen, living room with dining area and double doors leading out to the rear garden. To the first floor there are two bedrooms, both of which will accommodate a double bed and the bathroom. Set to the front of the property is allocated parking for two cars and south facing rear garden. EPC = B

Langdale Drive
Cannock



£140,000

- Modern Three Bed Terraced
- Lounge & Fitted Kitchen
- Close To Local Amenities
- Garden To Rear
- Garage & Ample Parking
- EPC = C

High Street
Albrighton



£94,950

- Apartment
- Two Bedrooms
- Available For The Over 55's Only
- Kitchen
- Laundry & Gardens
- EPC = C

Situated in a popular residential area, this semi detached bungalow is a lovely family home. The property has been well maintained and offers three bedrooms, a large lounge/diner, a modern kitchen/breakfast room, a conservatory and a rear garden. There is off road parking to the front and a driveway leading to a garage. The property is in excellent condition throughout.

Long Street
Wheaton Aston



£295,000

- Superb Detached Family Home
- Four Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- C/H & D/G
- Generous Off Road Parking
- EPC = TBA

The Poplars
Cannock



£120,000

- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Two Bedrooms
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Living Room/Diner
- Designated Parking
- EPC = D

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Barn Way
Wimblebury

- Four Bedroom Executive Detached
- Two Reception Rooms
- En Suite To Master
- Landscaped Rear Garden
- Garage & Driveway For Two Cars
- EPC = C



Spotlight!
Featured Property

Offers around
£250,000

East Cannock Road
Hednesford

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached
- No Upward Chain
- Two Reception Rooms
- Garden To Rear
- Off Road Parking To Front
- EPC = TBA



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New!

**Mill Street
Cannock**

- Auction T&C's Apply
- Four Bed Detached
- Refitted En Suite Shower Room
- Driveway
- No Upward Chain
- EPC = D



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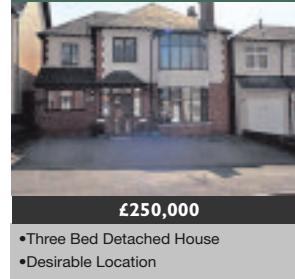
In a popular residential area, this three bedroom semi-detached family home, especially as the master bedroom boasts a ensuite – but also a dressing area. To the ground floor the comfort of a ground floor W/c, a Lounge and separate dining room (providing versatile use for this room) and a fitted kitchen. Up to the integral garage and there are gardens to both sides. MUST BE VIEWED TO APPRECIATE THE SIZE AND ACCOMMODATION. EPC = D

Coniston Way
Cannock



£240,000

Dartmouth Road
Cannock



£250,000

- Three Bed Detached House
- Desirable Location
- Master With En Suite
- South Facing Garden
- Off Road Parking
- EPC = D

Spotlight!
Featured Property

**Robins Croft
Heath Hayes**

- Four Bedroom Detached Home
- Popular Residential Estate
- Dining Room, Kitchen
- Utility, Guest WC
- Garage & Parking
- EPC = C



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- Dining Kitchen
- Living Room
- Loft Room
- Separate Garage
- EPC = D

**New Penkridge Road
Cannock**



£108,500

- Two Bedroom Apartment
- Dining Room
- Living Room
- Bathroom
- Close To Cannock Town Centre
- EPC = TBA

**Langholm Drive
Heath Hayes**



£137,500

- Semi Detached House
- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Garage
- EPC = TBA





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A two bedroomed property with views over the Trent and Mersey Canal. Communal Hallway to Entrance Hall, Open Plan Kitchen to Lounge, Bathroom, Mezzanine Bedroom and Second Bedroom. Allocated Parking. EPC RATING - D

£96,995

NO CHAIN

**CHADSFIELD ROAD
RUGELEY**

Offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN is this three bedroomed, first-floor maisonette within walking distance to town centre. Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room and Kitchen. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. One parking space. EPC RATING - D

£99,995

NEW

**THE LAURELS
RUGELEY**

A well proportioned bungalow positioned in a sheltered accommodation complex. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Lounge/Diner, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Communal Gardens and parking. EPC RATING - D

£100,000

NEW

**JOHNSON CLOSE
RUGELEY**

A three bedroomed end terraced having UPVC double-glazing and Gas central heating. Enclosed Porch, Lounge, Dining Kitchen. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Off-road parking. EPC RATING - D

£116,500

NEW

**FERNWOOD DRIVE
RUGELEY**

A well presented three bedroomed property. Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Entrance Porch, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom. Garden to Front and Rear. Single Garage. EPC RATING - D

£123,000

NEW

**HOWELL MEWS
WOLSELEY ROAD**

Offered for sale a modern ground floor apartment in a purpose built modern development Ideally located for local bus routes and offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Communal Entrance Hall, Reception Hall, Open plan Lounge/Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, En-suite Shower Room plus Bathroom. UPVC triple-glazed. Electric Heating. EPC RATING - C

£125,000

HARROW CLOSE, BRERETTON

A well presented three bedroomed end-terraced. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Kitchen, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge/Diner. First Floor Landing. Three Bedrooms, Bathroom. Garden to Rear. Two Allocated Parking Spaces. EPC RATING - C

£132,500

NEW

BURNTHILL LANE, RUGELEY

Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom/Utility Area, Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway for two cars to front leading to SINGLE GARAGE with rear workshop. Enclosed rear garden with timber workshop. EPC rating D

£142,500

NEW

THE BEECHES, RUGELEY

A three bedroomed semi detached family home with open views to rear. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Enclosed Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Inner Lobby and Downstairs W.C. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Garage and Off Road Parking. Open Views. Garden to Front and Rear. EPC RATING - TBC

£146,995

NO CHAIN

**ST MICHAELS DRIVE
BRETERTON**

Offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. A modern detached family home. Gas Central Heating and UPVC double-glazing. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge, Kitchen, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Large Drive offering ample Off Road Parking. Garden to Rear. EPC RATING - B

£169,950

NEW PRICE

THORN CLOSE, RUGELEY

A beautifully presented four bedroomed detached family home in a quiet cul-de-sac location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Kitchen, Utility. First floor landing. Master Bedroom, En-Suite, Three further BedRooms, Family Bathroom. Garage and Off Road Parking. Garden to front and rear. EPC RATING - D

£230,000

CANTERBURY DRIVE, RUGELEY

A well presented four bedroomed detached family home in a sought after location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Breakfast Kitchen, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory. First Floor Landing, Master Bedroom, En-Suite, Three Further BedRooms, Family Bathroom. Integral Garage, Large Driveway, Garden to Front and Rear.

£240,000

NO CHAIN

**BRINDLEY BANK ROAD
RUGELEY**

A three bedroomed detached bungalow positioned within a popular cul-de-sac position. UPVC double-glazing and Gas central heating. Enclosed Porch, Reception Hall, Lounge/Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Rear Lean-To, Three BedRooms, refitted Shower Room and separate WC. Driveway leading to SINGLE GARAGE. Enclosed garden to rear. NO UPWARD CHAIN

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£102,997

NO CHAIN

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Two bedoomed property making it ideal for the local town centre amenities. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Kitchen. First floor Landing, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Small garden area to front. Parking in communal area to rear. EPC RATING - D

£105,000

NO CHAIN

**THE LAURELS
RUGELEY**

A well presented two bedoomed mid-terrace bungalow in a sheltered housing complex. Accommodation comprises Entrance Porch, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Two Bedrooms and Shower Room. Communal Parking and Communal Gardens. NO UPWARD CHAIN. EPC RATING - D

£110,000

**KNIGHT COURT
NORTON CANES**

Second floor flat with security communal entrance system. Spacious Lounge, Kitchen with some appliances. Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Electric heating. Allocated Parking. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC Rating D DEPOSIT £692

£475 pcm

NEW

SYCAMORE CRESCENT, BRERETON

A spacious two bedoomed semi detached home in a popular location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Porch, Lounge/Diner, Kitchen. First Floor Landing. Two Bedrooms, Bathroom. Garage and Off Road Parking. Garden to Front and Rear. EPC Rating - D.

£134,995

NO CHAIN

**SOMERSET AVENUE
RUGELEY**

A three bedoomed semi-detached bungalow offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN and benefitting from Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Accommodation comprising of Entrance Porch, Lounge, Inner Hallway, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms and Shower Room and Garden Room. Off-road parking to front. Driveway leading to Garage at rear. Gardens to rear. EPC RATING - D

£137,500

NO CHAIN

**BURNTHILL LANE
RUGELEY**

A good sized three bedoomed family home. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Lounge/Dinner , Kitchen, Downstairs WC and Utility Room. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Shower Room. Garden to Front and Large Rear. Off Road Parking. EPC Rating - TBC

£137,500

**EATON DRIVE
RUGELEY**

Semi-detached property benefiting from Gas Central Heating. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen with Rangemaster Oven. Three Bedrooms and Bathrooms. Gardens to front and rear. Garage at rear. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS EPC Rating D DEPOSIT £760

£495 pcm

LEVETT GRANGE, RUGELEY

A well presented modern three bedoomed detached family home in popular location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, First Floor Landing, Master Bedroom with Ensuite, Two Further Bedrooms, Bathroom. DETACHED GARAGE and Off Road Parking. Gardens to Front and Rear. EPC Rating - C

£205,000

REDMOND CLOSE, ETCHINGHILL

A well presented spacious family link-detached home positioned in a quiet cul-de-sac position. UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Entrance Room, Lounge, Dining Kitchen, Downstairs WC and Utility Room. First Floor Landing with Four Bedrooms one having an en-suite Shower plus Family Bathroom. Extensive driveway to front. Gardens to front and rear. EPC Rating - C

£210,000

**ARCH STREET
RUGELEY**

A traditional mid-terrace property benefiting from Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen with some appliances, Ground Floor Shower Room, Landing, Two Bedrooms. Courtyard to rear. ON road parking. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO PETS. NO SMOKERS. NO DSS. EPC Rating E. DEPOSIT £720

£500 pcm

HEDGESFORD ROAD, RUGELEY

This delightful cottage is nestled alongside Cannock Chase and offers extensive views to the front and rear. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Inner Hallway, Snug, Kitchen, Lounge/Diner, Cellar. First Floor Landing, Master Bedroom with En-suite, Four additional Bedrooms, Family Bathroom. Integral Garage, Large Drive with

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- Spacious detached triple garage
- EPC rating E



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- Impressive detached property
- One bedroom annexe
- Good sized overall plot
- 3 receptions, guest WC
- Breakfast kitchen with pantry
- Driveway parking, garage
- EPC rating E



CHURCHBRIDGE, WALSALL ROAD

- Impressive detached property
- Substantial overall plot
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">Superb detached houseSought after locationLounge, dining roomBreakfast kitchen, utilityGardens, driveway parkingDouble garageEPC rating D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Semi detached family homeContemporary kitchen/dinerTandem garage & off road parkingVillage locationStunning views to the rearPrivate rear gardenEPC rating C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Extended semi detached homeDining KitchenSun room / dining areaGarage & drivewayVillage locationViewing essentialEPC rating E	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Second floor penthouseSought after locationFully fitted kitchenBathroom & en-suiteTwo allocated parking spacesCommunal garden & groundsEPC rating C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Extended detached housePrime corner plotOff road parking for several carsThrough lounge / dining roomExtended breakfast kitchenDriveway, garage / workshopEPC rating D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Superb detached propertyPrime village locationImmaculately presented interiorsLounge, dining area, kitchenGardens, driveway, garageViewing essentialEPC rating C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Superb detached propertyQuiet Cul-de-Sac locationSpacious lounge, kitchenGuest WC. No chainCharming rear gardenDriveway parking, garageEPC rating to follow

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">Detached bungalowCul-de-sac locationLandscaped/private rear gardenLounge dinerWetroomGarage & drivewayEPC rating D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Extended semi-detached houseSuperb village locationWell presented interiorsExtended lounge / diner, kitchenGardens, driveway, garageViewing highly recommendedEPC rating C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cottage style semi detachedShower roomContemporary kitchen/dinerUtility & GF bathroomGated parking to sideNo upward chainEPC rating D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Extended semi-detached houseSuperb village locationWell presented interiorsExtended lounge / diner, kitchenGardens, driveway, garageViewing highly recommendedEPC rating C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Modern semi-detached houseSought after village locationWell presented interiorsLounge, kitchen / dinerConservatoryGardens, driveway parkingEPC rating D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Extended semi-detached houseSuperb village locationWell presented interiorsExtended lounge / diner, kitchenGardens, driveway, garageViewing highly recommendedEPC rating C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Modern semi-detached houseSought after village locationWell presented interiorsLounge, kitchen / dinerConservatoryGardens, driveway parkingEPC rating D

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">End terraced propertyThree storey accommodationInitial first time buyLounge, dining roomKitchen, guest WCCharming rear gardenEPC rating D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Well proportioned end terraceIdeal FTB/investor purchaseConvenient village locationLounge/dining room, kitchenGood sized rear gardenNo upward chainEPC rating D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Superb period semiWell presented interiorsTenanted in situLounge, dining roomModern fitted kitchenBrick built 'utility' shedGardens, cellarEPC rating F	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Semi detached propertyGreat investment opportunityClose to Cannock Town CentreWell presentedOff road parkingEPC rating D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Unique penthouse apartmentSuperbly presented throughoutMany extras includedModern open plan livingFrench doors to balconyNO UPWARD CHAINEPC rating C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Spacious first floor apartmentPopular village locationSuit first time buyer / investorLounge / diner, breakfast kitchenCommunal grounds and parkingNo upward chainEPC rating D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Spacious first floor apartmentPopular village locationSuit first time buyer / investorLounge / diner, breakfast kitchenCommunal grounds and parkingNo upward chainEPC rating D

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- Master with Ensuite & Dressing Room

£495,000



Walsall Road, Great Wyrley



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- EPC - D Viewing Imperative

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Hatherton Croft, Cannock



- Exquisite Family Residence
- Prestigious Location
- Four Double Bedrooms
- Stunning Accommodation
- Comprehensively Improved
- EPC - (tbc) Viewing Essential

£375,000



Strathmore Place, Cannock

- Exquisite Detached Bungalow
- Desirable Location
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Stunning Dining Kitchen

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Gorsemoor Road, Heath Hayes

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- Downstairs Guest WC
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- Living Room
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- Modern Kitchen
- Stylish Bathroom
- Lounge/Dining Room
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- Off Road Parking & Garage
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- Upstairs Bathroom
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- Modern Bungalow
- Two Bedrooms
- Stylish Shower Room
- Rear Facing Lounge

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- Landscaped Garden
- Cul-de-sac Location
- Very Well Presented



Sharon Way, Hednesford

- Semi-Detached Family Home
- Lounge & Kitchen/Diner
- Three Bedrooms
- Drive, Garage & Gardens
- No Chain
- EPC - Tbc Viewing Advised

£140,000



Wordsworth Close, Cannock

- Two Bedroom Bungalow
- Lounge & Kitchen
- Shower Room
- Gas Central Heating
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Small Cul-de-sac

£135,000

Pheasant Way, Heath Hayes

- Modern 1st Floor Apartment
- Open Plan Lounge & Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom & Ensuite
- Allocated Parking Space
- Popular Development

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Cliff Close, Willenhall

- Three Bedrooms
- Waterside Frontage
- Kitchen/Diner
- Lounge
- Downstairs WC
- No Chain involved

£105000

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Hatherton Road, Cannock



- Exquisite Family Residence
- Enviable Location
- Stunning Accommodation
- Four Bedrooms, En-suite, Annex
- EPC - D Competitively Priced

£375,000



Gloucester Way, Heath Hayes



- Extended Detached Home
- Comprehensively Improved
- Stunning Open Plan Kitchen
- Five Bedrooms
- 2 En-Suites
- Corner Plot with Open Aspect
- EPC - D
- Viewing Essential

£328,500



Bideford Way, Cannock



- Stunning Family Home
- Five Large Bedrooms
- Immaculate Kitchen
- Ensuite & Bathroom
- Large L-Shape Garden
- Popular Residential Area
- Must Be Viewed

£289,950



Dartmouth Avenue, Cannock

- Idyllic Family Home
- Charming Accommodation
- Stunning Kitchen & Bathroom
- Three Bedrooms

£265,000



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Belt Road, Hedgesford

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- Superb Accommodation
- Substantial Plot
- Three Bedrooms

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Chase Road, Brownhills

- Large Corner Plot
- No Chain Involved
- Garage, Landscaped Garden
- EPC - D Viewing Essential

£159,950



Newlands Lane, Heath Hayes



- Ensuite & Bathroom
- Super Dining Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory

£250,000



Tudor Road, Hedgesford

- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Delightful Accommodation
- Comprehensively Refurbished
- Two Bedrooms

£164,950



Chase Road, Brownhills

- Sun Room & Utility
- Traditional House
- Garage



Linwood Drive, Hedgesford



- Three Bedroom Semi
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Modern Kitchen
- Popular Location

£215,000



Chetwynd Gardens, Cannock

- Luxury First Floor Apartment
- 999 Lease Resident Managed
- Improved Accommodation Two Double Bedrooms
- Under Floor Heating
- EPC - tbc Garage & No Chain

£100,000



Lomax Road, Hedgesford

- Ground Floor Apartment
- Two Bedrooms
- Refreshed Accommodation
- Delightful Open Aspect
- Periphery of Cannock Chase
- FTB, Investment, Retirement

£79,950



Heath Way, Heath Hayes

- Ground Floor Apartment
- Two Bedrooms
- Upgraded Bathroom
- Lounge & Separate Kitchen
- Allocated Parking Space
- No Chain Involved

£77,500



Sandpiper Close, Hedgesford



Offers Over £75,000

- Ground Floor Flat
- One Double Bedroom
- Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Double Glazing
- No Chain Involved
- Ideal First Time Buy

£48,995

Cannock



Longacres, Cannock £95,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market this first floor, two bedroom flat located right next to Hednesford Hills which briefly comprises of; entrance hall, hallway, lounge, dining area, kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, garage and driveway for 1 car.

Energy rating: D.

Cannock



Milton Road, Cannock £100,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market this three bedroom semi-detached property located in Cannock, close to Redhill Primary School. The property comprises of lounge and kitchen on with the first flooring having a landing with doors to bathroom and three bedrooms. To the front is off road parking and to the rear is a paved patio area with separate lawned area. Energy rating: awaited.

Huntington



Willow Walk, Huntington £115,000

Connells Estate Agents have for sale this traditional three bedroom semi-detached property positioned in a popular residential location and walking distance to the prestigious Cannock Chase. The property briefly comprises entrance hall, large modern fitted kitchen diner, utility room, family lounge. On the first floor there is a family bathroom with WC and bath, separate WC, airing cupboard which houses combi boiler, three bedrooms all of a good size. Externally to the front there is a lawn area, pathway with both steps and a sloped path down to entrance. To the rear there is a side gated access to front, entertaining patio area with steps up to separate lawn area. Energy rating: awaited.

REDUCED



Heath Street, Hedgesford o.i.r.o £130,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this deceptively spacious two double bedroom semi-detached property in Hedgesford complete with a driveway to the front and a large rear garden. Energy rating: D.

Great Wyrley



Walsall Road, Great Wyrley £130,000

How many two bedrooms have you seen with two bathrooms including an EN-SUITE???

Internally, this property has a lounge, dining room, downstairs bathroom and kitchen with the upstairs having two bedrooms, one with EN-SUITE. To the rear there is a patio area and separate lawn area with side access

Cannock



Albert Street, Cannock £135,000

Connells Estate Agents have for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property located in Cannock, close to Redhill Primary School and bus routes into Cannock, Lichfield and Wolverhampton. The property comprises of entrance hall with stairs to first floor which is open plan with the kitchen / diner, the kitchen / diner is a fitted kitchen with gloss cream units, double electric oven and french patio door to rear elevation. On the first floor the landing has doors to three bedrooms and a bathroom. Externally to the front of the property there is a driveway providing off road parking with a gravel area. To the rear of the property there is an entertaining patio area with steps to an additional patio area leading to a lawned area with gated access. Energy rating: D.

Hednesford



Evergreen Heights, Hedgesford £157,000

Connells Estate Agents have for sale this well-appointed family home located near to the prestigious CANNOCK CHASE and the popular Pye Green Academy and West Hill Primary School. The property briefly comprises of a entrance hall, downstairs WC, family lounge through diner, modern fitted kitchen, door to integral garage. On the first floor there is a family bathroom with wash hand basin, free standing bath with overhead shower, WC and three bedrooms. Externally to the front there is parking for multiple cars and to the rear there is a entertaining patio area and separate lawn area with a variety of shrubs. Energy Rating: C

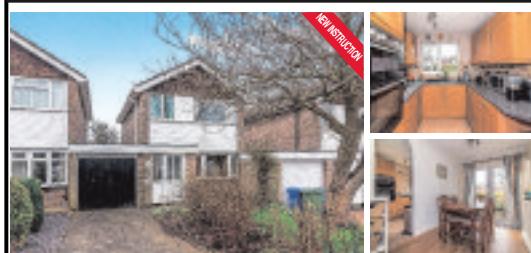
Great Wyrley



Manor Avenue, Great Wyrley £169,950

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property in Great Wyrley which is within the catchment area to Saint Thomas More, Moat Hill and Great Wyrley High School. The property comprises of lounge, dining room which is open plan to the kitchen, downstairs bathroom, three bedrooms. You also have a large block paved driveway which allows vehicle access through to the rear garden. Energy Rating - D.

Heath Hayes



Brampton Drive, Heath Hayes £170,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market this NO CHAIN three bedroom link detached house, located in the popular area of Heath Hayes, near to Five Ways Primary school and The Old Brickworks Nature Reserve. The property comprises of entrance porch, lounge, dining room with double glazed patio doors to rear garden, fitted kitchen with electric oven and utility room. The first floor comprises of a landing with doors to the bathroom, airing cupboard and three bedrooms with the master bedroom having fitted wardrobe. Outside to the front there is a driveway providing off road parking and to the rear there is a patio area, separate lawned area, pond and greenhouse. Energy rating: awaited.

Heath Hayes
Hednesford Road, Heath Hayes Offers over £175,000

This exceptional three bedroom link detached property in Heath Hayes briefly comprises of entrance porch, family lounge, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms with the master having fitted wardrobes and a recently fitted modern en-suite. To the front a driveway provides parking. Energy rating: E

Cannock
Huntsmans Rise, Cannock £180,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market this three bedroom detached property located in Cannock, close to Huntington Primary School. The property comprises of open plan lounge and diner, with the lounge area having a bay window and electric fireplace. The diner area has french doors to the UPVC constructed conservatory and a door leading to the fitted kitchen. The first floor comprises of landing with doors to the bathroom and three bedrooms, with one bedroom having a built in wardrobe and the other two having fitted wardrobes. Outside to the front of the property there is off road parking with a slabbed pathway to the front door, a lawned area and gated access to further parking at the side of the property. To the rear there is an entertaining patio area, lawned area and a raised patio area. Energy rating: awaited.

REDUCED
Bond Way, Hednesford Offers Over £190,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this four bedroom detached property in Hednesford which is within the catchment area to Pye Green Academy. The property comprises of lounge, dining room, kitchen, conservatory, four bedrooms, bathroom with separate toilet. Being a corner plot you have a large driveway and a good size rear garden.

Energy Rating - D.

GREAT WYRLEY
Hilton Lane, Great Wyrley £200,000

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are delighted to present for sale this unique CORNER PLOT, three bedroom semi-detached Family home located in Great Wyrley which has a large driveway to the front and a huge garage with an upper level. Upper level to garage is currently being used as an office.

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Hednesford
Stephenson Way, Hednesford £200,000

Connells are pleased to market this three bedroom detached property comprising of hallway, lounge, kitchen / dining room, downstairs wc, master bedroom with en-suite, two further bedrooms, bathroom, garage and front and rear gardens. Energy rating: D.

Huntington
Foxfields Way, Huntington £245,000

Connells Estate Agents have for sale this superbly presented four bedroom detached family home with wonderful kerb appeal. This property really is a must view to fully appreciate the generous living accommodation throughout. The property briefly comprises of an entrance hall, substantially large family lounge with a bay window to the rear and leading through double doors into the garden, dining room, modern fitted kitchen and downstairs WC. On the first floor there are a family bathroom, four bedrooms and the master benefiting from having its own en-suite. To the front the property provides a driveway with parking for multiple cars and to the rear there is a beautifully presented entertaining decking area and a large lawn area. Energy rating: D.

Cheslyn Hay
Moons Lane, Cheslyn Hay £320,000

Your chance to purchase this beautifully presented family home in the sought after village of Cheslyn Hay. Connells Estate Agents have for sale this four bedroom detached house commanding an impressive position situated near to the popular schools of Glenbirne Primary and Cheslyn Hay High. The property comprises of an entrance, hall way, downstairs cloakroom with modern fitted wash hand basin and WC, door into garage, entrance into dining room with patio doors in to conservatory, family lounge with feature cast iron fire place with marble surround, conservatory, modern fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, door into utility room, under stairs storage cupboard. On the first floor there is a modern fitted family bathroom with Jacuzzi bath, separate shower, wash hand basin and WC. Four bedrooms with two of the rooms benefiting from having mirrored fitted wardrobes. Externally to the front there is a paved concrete driveway with parking for several cars and to the rear there is a block paved patio area as well as a separate lawn area. ENERGY RATING: E

Penkridge
Walhouse Drive, Penkridge £500,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market this 6/7 bedroom detached property located in Penkridge close to the river. The property comprises of entrance hall with doors to dining room, 35 ft fitted kitchen/breakfast area, study / family room, reception room, downstairs WC and stairs to first floor. The first floor comprises of landing with doors to bathroom and five bedrooms, one of which has en-suite and three built in wardrobes. The second floor comprises of a bedroom which has en-suite, two cupboards and access to a gym room. Outside to the front there is a driveway providing off road parking and garage access, a lawned area and gated side access to rear. To the rear there is a paved patio area and a wooden decked area with gazebo. Energy rating: C.

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£450,000 EPC=D



£280,000 EPC=C



£134,995 EPC=TBA



£250,000 EPC=B



£250,000 EPC=B



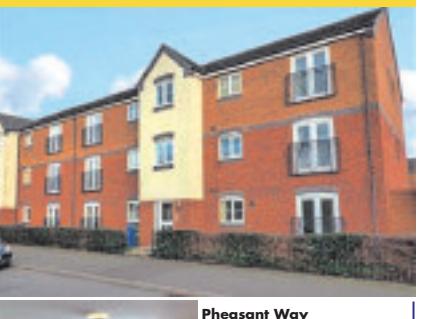
£127,500 EPC=E



£239,995 EPC=TBA



£189,950 EPC=TBA



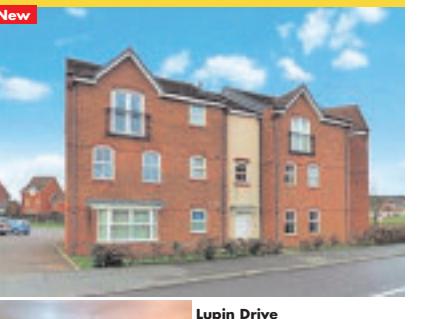
£117,995 EPC=C



£124,995 EPC=B



£159,930 EPC=C



£43,000 EPC=C

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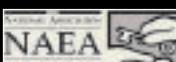
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<p>HEATH HAYES HOLT CRESCENT</p>     	<p>SSTC Similar Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End Town House • Hall, Lounge • Kitchen/Diner • Conservatory • 2 Bedrooms • Bathroom • Driveway, Garden • No Chain <p>\$132,500</p>	<p>NORTON CANES BEAUMONT WAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detached Family Home • Hall, Lounge • Dining room, Kitchen • Guests w.c. 2 En-Suites • 4 Bedrooms, Bathroom • G.C.H. • Garage, Driveway <p>\$255,000</p>
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STAFFORD ROAD

- Town
- Entrance Hall, Lounge
- Good Sized Family Home
- Refitted Bathroom

\$125,000

HUNTINGTON
THE PINES

- Two Bedroom Park Home
- Entrance Hall, Lounge
- Dining Kitchen
- Double Glazed
- G.C.H.

\$79,950

CANNOCK
SANKEY ROAD

- Semi Detached
- Hallway, Lounge/diner
- Kitchen, Utility
- 3 Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- G.C.H.
- Double Glazed

\$115,000

HEATH HAYES
ACORN CLOSE

- Town House
- Hallway
- Lounge/diner
- Breakfast Kitchen
- 2 Bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom
- Allocated Parking

\$120,000

GREAT WYRLEY
ANSON ROAD

- End Town House
- Entrance Hall/ utility Room
- Refitted
- Lounge/diner
- 3 Bedrooms
- Bathroom

\$124,950

CANNOCK
STATION COURT

- Modern Family Home
- Reception Hallway
- Lounge/diner
- Kitchen, Guest WC
- 2 Double Beds

\$135,000 Open to Offers

- Family Bathroom
- Landscaped garden
- Allocated Parking

HEDNESFORD
LITTLEWORTH ROAD

- Detached Bungalow
- Hallway
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Three Bedrooms
- Guest W.C.
- Bathroom
- Field views

\$280,000

WEDGES MILLS
THE MEADOWS

- Outstanding Detached
- Through Hallway
- Guest WC, Lounge
- Dining Room
- Conservatory

- Family Dining Kitchen
- Utility Room, 4 Beds
- 2 En-suites, Bathroom
- Private driveway, Open field views

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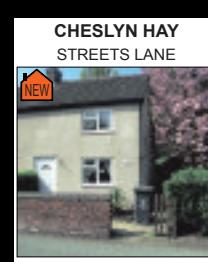
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NEW STREET

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CANNOCK ROAD

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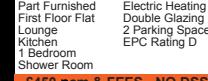
HEATH HAYES
CHAPEL STREET

£495 pcm & FEES - NO DSS



CHESLYN HAY
STREETS LANE

£475 pcm & FEES - NO DSS



HEATH HAYES
BOSTON CLOSE

£450 pcm & FEES - NO DSS



CANNOCK
WOOTTONS COURT

£400 pcm & FEES - NO DSS



HEDNESFORD
CEDAR CLOSE

£395 pcm & FEES - NO DSS



HEATH HAYES
ALMOND CLOSE

£385 pcm & FEES - NO DSS



WILLENHALL
CIRCUIT CLOSE

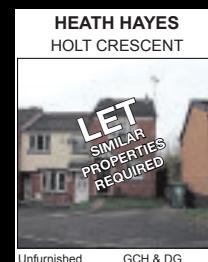
£375 pcm & FEES - NO DSS



CANNOCK
SMILLIE PLACE

LET SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED

£595 pcm & FEES - NO DSS



HEATH HAYES
HOLT CRESCENT

LET SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED

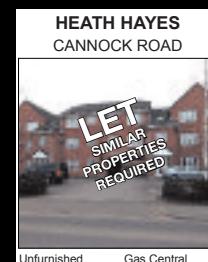
£575 pcm & FEES - NO DSS



HEDNESFORD
MOUNT STREET

LET SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED

£525 pcm & FEES - NO DSS



HEATH HAYES
CANNOCK ROAD

LET SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED

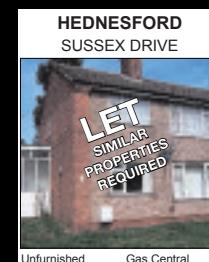
£495 pcm & FEES - NO DSS



BROWNHILLS
CATSHILL ROAD

LET SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED

£125 pw & FEES - NO DSS



HEDNESFORD
SUSSEX DRIVE

LET SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED

£385 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

CHESLYN HAY
STATION STREET

SSTC
Similar Required

- Traditional Semi
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Refitted Kitchen
- 2 Double Beds
- Refitted
- Shower Room
- Parking to rear

\$129,950

CHESLYN HAY
HIGHFIELDS GRANGE

SSTC
Similar Required

- Early Viewing Essential
- Detached Family Home
- Reception Hallway
- Lounge,
- Dining Room
- Sitting Room

\$499,950

HEDNESFORD
CORSICAN DRIVE

SSTC
Similar Required

- Modern Semi
- Hallway, Lounge
- Refitted
- Kitchen/Diner
- 2 Bedrooms
- Refitted Bathroom
- Driveway
- Front &

\$129,950

CANNOCK
ST JOHN ROAD

SSTC
Similar Required

- Spacious Det. House
- Through Hallway
- Extended
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Utility room,
- Guest WC
- 4 Bedrooms.

\$220,000 Open to offers

HEDNESFORD
SANDPIPER CLOSE

SSTC
Similar Required

- Ground Floor
- Through Hallway
- Lounge/ Diner
- Kitchen
- Double Bedroom
- Bathroom

Offers Over £70,000

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FISHER STREET

- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Porch, Hall
- Spacious Lounge
- Conservatory
- Refitted Kitchen
- Utility
- 2 Bedrooms.

\$159,950

CANNOCK
HIGHBANK

SSTC
Similar Required

- Porch
- Through Hallway
- Lounge Diner
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Detached Garage

\$118,000

HEATH HAYES
CANNOCK ROAD

- Immaculate Entrance
- Modern Terrace
- Rear Garden
- Spacious Lounge
- Kitchen
- Conservatory, 2 Bedrooms

\$124,950

HEDNESFORD
PENDLE HILL

- Dormer Bungalow
- Walking distance to entrance
- Porch, Hallway
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Guest WC, 4 Bedrooms

\$184,950

CANNOCK
CHALFONT COURT

- Modern First Floor Apartment
- Entrance Hallway,
- Lounge/diner,
- Kitchen
- Bedroom
- Bathrooms
- Double glazing

\$89,950

REDUCED
HEDNESFORD
BRADBURY LANE

- Detached Bungalow
- Porch
- Through Hallway
- Lounge
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Garage

\$239,950

CANNOCK
ORION WAY

- Detached Property
- In need of Upgrading
- Hallway,
- Lounge/diner
- Kitchen, 3 Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Car Port, Gardens
- Garage (needs work)

\$149,950

CANNOCK
OLD PENKRDGE ROAD

- Traditional Detached
- Entrance Hall,
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Conservatory,
- dining kitchen
- Guest WC, 4 Bedrooms
- Shower room

\$445,000

NORTON CANES
NORTON MEWS

- Detached Bungalow
- Through Hallway
- Lounge,
- Kitchen
- 3 Bedrooms
- Shower room
- Rear Garden

\$159,950

HEATH HAYES
CLEETON STREET

- Detached Family Home
- Through Hallway
- Lounge, Guests WC
- Kitchen/Diner
- 3 Double Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Driveway, Garage

\$210,000



6 OAKLANDS CLOSE,
HUNTINGTON
WELL PRESENTED THREE BEDROOM SEMI
DETACHED HOUSE
Convenient For Local Facilities
◆ Lounge
◆ Dining/kitchen
◆ UPVC double glazed conservatory
◆ Study/play room
◆ Cloakroom with WC
£675 pcm



50 GLADSTONE ROAD,
HEATH HAYES
WELL PRESENTED TWO BEDROOM
DETACHED BUNGALOW
◆ Lounge
◆ Dining kitchen
◆ UPVC double glazed conservatory
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ Shower room
◆ Fully double glazed
£725 pcm



40 HEATH GAP ROAD,
CANNOCK
WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED
HOUSE
◆ Entrance hall &
◆ Gas central heating
◆ Lounge
◆ Detached garage
◆ Sorry no pets,
smokers or DSS
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ Smokers or DSS
◆ Shower room
◆ Guests cloakroom
◆ EPC rating: tbc
£550 pcm



LET AGREED
8 SPRINGHILL ROAD,
BURNWOOD
REFURBISHED TWO BEDROOMED SEMI
DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area
◆ Lounge & dining room
◆ Kitchen & utility area
◆ Cloakroom with WC
◆ Two double bedrooms
◆ Bathroom
£525 pcm



12 VICTORIA TERRACE,
NORTH STREET, BRIDGTON
WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOM
SECOND FLOOR APARTMENT
◆ Communal hall, stairs & landing
◆ Entrance hall
◆ Lounge
◆ Kitchen
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ Bathrooms
£500 pcm



7 FOUNTAIN COURT, TEDDESBURY PARK
ESTATE, PENKRIDGE
ONE BEDROOM SINGLE STOREY BARN
CONVERSION
Located In The Picturesque Estate Of Teddesbury Barn
◆ Fitted kitchen
◆ Lounge
◆ Double bedroom
◆ Bathrooms
◆ Fully double glazed
◆ Oil fired central heating
£535 pcm (Plus Service Charge)



SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOM
BUNGALOW
◆ Lounge
◆ Kitchen
◆ Two double bedrooms
◆ Bathroom
◆ Gas central heating
◆ All windows double glazed
£625 pcm



3 CORNWALL ROAD,
HEDNESFORD
WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW
Located In Popular Residential Area
Facilities At The Town Centre
◆ Recessed porch area & reception hall
◆ Lounge & kitchen area
◆ Two double bedrooms
◆ Bathrooms
◆ Wet room shower room
£725 pcm



55 NEWHALL STREET,
CANNOCK
THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Conveniently Located For Facilities At The Town Centre
◆ Lounge & sitting room
◆ Kitchen
◆ Bathrooms
◆ Cellar
◆ Three bedrooms
◆ En-suite shower room
◆ Gas central heating
◆ Fully double glazed
◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
◆ EPC rating: tbc
£595 pcm



NEWLY COMPLETED FIVE
BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area
◆ Cloakroom with WC
◆ Sitting room & dining room
◆ Study & family room
◆ Kitchen & utility room
£1300 pcm



TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Occupying Corner Plot Gardens In Popular Residential Area
◆ Lounge
◆ Breakfast kitchen
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ Refitted bathroom
◆ Detached garage
◆ Corner plot gardens
£955 pcm



LET AGREED
40 SILKMORE CRESCENT,
STAFFORD
WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI
DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area
◆ Lounge & sitting room
◆ Kitchen
◆ Bathrooms
◆ Cloakroom
◆ Three bedrooms
◆ Family bathroom
◆ Gas central heating
◆ Fully double glazed
◆ Off road parking
◆ Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
◆ EPC rating: D (62)
£725 pcm



LET AGREED
APT 5 HATHERTON HOUSE, CROWN
BRIDGE COURT, PENKRIDGE
WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED GROUND
FLOOR APARTMENT
Located Conveniently For Penkridge Village Centre
◆ Reception hall
◆ Lounge
◆ Fitted kitchen
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ Ensuite shower room
◆ Bathroom
◆ Intercom access
£525 pcm



LET AGREED
13 BEECH TREE COURT,
BEECH TREE LANE, CANNOCK
WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT
Located In Popular Residential Area Convenient For Facilities At The Town Centre
◆ Lounge
◆ Fitted kitchen
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ Bathrooms
◆ Gas central heating
◆ Fully double glazed
£495 pcm



LET AGREED
1A HOLDEN CRESCENT,
COALPOOL, WALSALL
ONE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT
◆ Hall
◆ Lounge
◆ Kitchen
◆ Bedroom
◆ Bathrooms
◆ Economy 7 Heating
◆ Off road parking
◆ Security phone intercom
◆ Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
◆ EPC rating: C (80)
£325 pcm

Period-style end terrace has an extended kitchen



THIS extended period-style end of terrace home in Pelsall Road, Brownhills, has an extended breakfast kitchen and Victorian-style fireplace.

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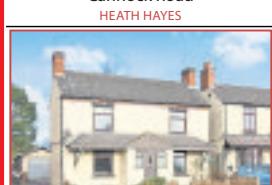
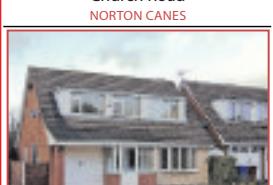
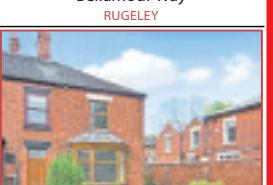
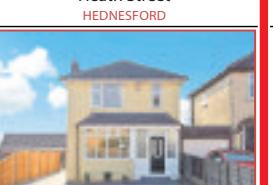
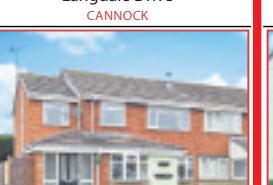
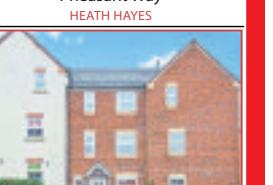
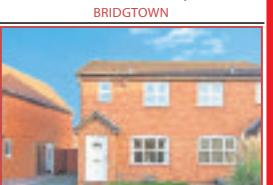


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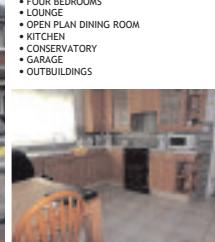
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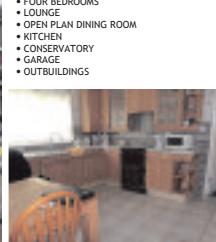



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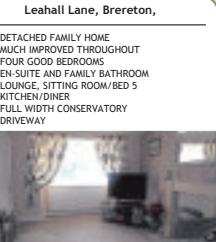
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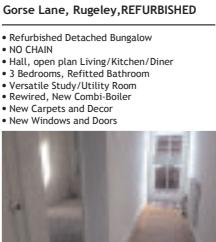
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- NO CHAIN
- Open Plan Living/Kitchen/Diner
- 3 Bedrooms, Refitted Bathroom
- Versatile Study/utility Room
- Rewired, New Combi Boiler
- New Carpets and Decor
- New Windows and Doors

£185,000




Main Road, Rugeley, Goodchilds

- DETACHED HOUSE
- 3 GOOD BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE
- KITCHEN
- LOUNGE
- CONSERVATORY
- DOUBLE GLAZED
- GARAGE

£170,000

Lower Lodge Residential Home

- Park Home for sale
- Low maintenance Gardens
- Central Heated
- Double Glazed
- One large bedroom (formerly a 2 bed)
- Lounge, Dining room



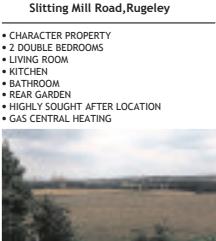
Offers in Excess of £92,950




SOLD Subject to Contract

- Link detached Bungalow
- Two bedrooms
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Rear Garden
- Detached Garage

£169,995

Slitting Mill Road, Rugeley

- CHARACTER PROPERTY
- 2 DOUBLE BEDROOMS
- LIVING ROOM
- KITCHEN
- BATHROOM
- REAR GARDEN
- HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING

Guide Price £169,950




Bradley Lakes, Longdon,

- THREE BEDROOMS
- SEMI DETACHED
- OPEN COUNTRYSIDE TO REAR
- KITCHEN
- LOUNGE
- CONSERVATORY
- OFF ROAD PARKING
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING

£175,000

Pourbaix House, Birmingham

- Two Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment
- Garden & Parking
- Conservatory
- Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen
- Bathroom



Offers in the Region Of £140,000




Lower Birches Way, Rugeley,A

- Three bedroom House
- Conservatory
- Hall, Cloakroom
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms
- Bathrooms
- Garden
- Allocated Parking Spaces

Offers in the Region Of £158,000




Leasow Road, Rugeley, ENTRANCE

- THREE BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE
- KITCHEN
- BATHROOM
- TERRACE
- REAR GARDEN
- TERRACED

£119,950

No Chain




The Laurels, Rugeley, A two bed-

- TWO BEDROOM BUNGALOW
- KITCHEN
- SHOWER ROOM
- RECEPTION ROOM
- FRONT GARDEN
- COMMUNAL PARKING
- DOUBLE GLAZED
- SCHEME MANAGED

Offers in the Region Of £115,000

Noddington Lane, Lichfield

- One Bedroom Ground Floor Maisonette
- Whittington Village Location
- Off Road Parking
- Currently Let out- instant return
- Lounge
- Kitchen



Offers in Excess of £92,500

No Chain




Essex Drive, Rugeley, Spacious

- SEMI-DETACHED BUNGALOW
- NEEDING SOME MODERNISATION
- HALL, LOUNGE, KITCHEN
- THREE BEDROOMS
- BATHROOM
- SITTING ROOM
- GARAGE
- GARDENS

Offers in the Region Of £115,000




Watson Close, Rugeley, Goodchilds

- Three bedrooms
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Family bathroom
- Semi detached
- Allocated parking
- Front Garden
- Rear Garden

Offers in the Region Of £112,500




Lion Street,

- THREE BEDROOM HOUSE
- LOUNGE
- KITCHEN
- FAMILY BATHROOM
- TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS
- LARGE SINGLE BEDROOM
- LOCAL AMENITIES
- INVESTMENT PROPERTY

Offers in Excess of £100,000

Angorfa Close, Lichfield

- TWO BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE/DINER
- KITCHEN
- BATHROOM
- GROUND FLOOR
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LOWER LODGE PARK, RUGELEY ROAD



- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Off-Road Parking
- Open Views To Rear
- DG & GCH (Bottled)
- Ideal Park Home

£87,000

LOWER LODGE PARK, ARMITAGE



- Park Home
- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen
- Lounge Diner
- Wet Room
- Off Road Parking
- Gardens & Storage
- No Upward Chain

£106,000

KESTONE MEWS, RUGELEY



- First Floor Flat
- Self Contained
- One Bedroom
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Allocated Parking
- Sorry No DSS, Pets or Smokers

£425 PCM • Admin Fees

RAVENHILL TERRACE, RUGELEY



- Mid Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- In Need of Upgrade
- Lounge Diner
- Ideal Investor Purchase
- Garage & Gardens
- No Upward Chain
- Early Viewing Essential

£110,000

BRERETON MEWS, BRERETON



- 2 x Two Bedroom Flats
- Ground & First Floor
- Open Plan
- Lounge Kitchen Diner
- Family Bathroom
- GCH & DG
- Allocated Parking
- DSS Considered

£495PCM • additional fees apply

THE LAURELS, RUGELEY



- Mid Terraced Bungalow
- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- New Fitted Kitchen
- Pleasant Position
- Shower Room
- Age Restrictions Apply
- Must Be Viewed

£112,000

BOW STREET, RUGELEY,



- Lounge/Breakfast Kitchen
- Sitting Room
- Two Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Rear Garden
- Sorry No DSS, Pets or Smokers

£545 PCM • Admin Fees

BOW STREET, RUGELEY



- Newly Refurbished
- Lounge
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Rear Courtyard

£575 PCM • Admin Fees

ST JOHN'S DRIVE, RUGELEY



- NEW
- Two Bedroom Semi Detached
- Immaculately Presented
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Visitor Cloaks
- Family Bathroom
- Private Rear Garden
- Garage & Driveway
- Viewing Recommended

SOLD

- Two Bedroom Semi Detached
- Immaculately Presented
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Visitor Cloaks
- Family Bathroom
- Private Rear Garden
- Garage & Driveway
- Viewing Recommended

152,500

ST. ANTHONYS CLOSE, RUGELEY

- NEW
- Semi Detached Property
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen & Utility
- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Garage/Storage
- Gardens Front & Rear
- Viewing Recommended

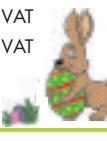
£157,950

CHIEVELY CLOSE, RUGELEY



- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Lounge/Diner
- New Fitted Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms
- New Bathroom Suite
- Garage & Driveway
- Private Rear Garden
- No Onward Chain

£159,000



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- NEW
- Mid Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Open Plan Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen

- Ground Floor Bathroom
- Gardens to Rear
- No Onward Chain
- Ideal Investor/FTB Property

£115,000

MEADOW GLADE, HIXON



- Four Bedrooms
- Re-Styled Kitchen
- Garage & Off-Road Parking
- Gas Central Heating
- Lounge & Diner
- Two Bathrooms
- Private Gardens
- Viewing Highly Recommended

£185,000

WINDSOR CLOSE, RUGELEY

- Semi Detached Home
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- En-suite to Master
- Garage
- Gardens Front & Rear
- Viewing Recommended

£174,000

- Detached Home
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Breakfasting Kitchen
- Four Bedrooms
- Office/Study
- Garage/Secure parking
- Countryside location
- Must be Viewed

£549,950

MEADOW STREET, TAMWORTH



- NEW
- Mid Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Open Plan Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen

- Ground Floor Bathroom
- Gardens to Rear
- No Onward Chain
- Ideal Investor/FTB Property

£115,000

STONE HOUSE ROAD, RUGELEY

- Detached Home
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Breakfasting Kitchen
- Four Bedrooms
- Office/Study
- Garage/Secure parking
- Countryside location
- Must be Viewed

£549,950

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WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK

- One Bed GFF
- Lounge
- Shower Room
- Electric Heating
- DG & Parking
- EPC Rating G
- No DSS/Pets

£375 pcm

CAPERCAILLIE DRIVE, HEATH HAYES

- One Bed Flat
- Lounge & Kitchen
- Shower Room
- Electric Heating
- DG
- Energy Rating E
- NO DSS/PETS

£410 pcm

STATION ROAD, HEDNESFORD

- Three Bed Flat
- Town Centre
- Spacious
- GCH & DG
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating E
- No DSS or Pets

£500 pcm

COTTON GROVE, HEDNESFORD

- 3 Bed Semi
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- GCH & DG

£575 pcm

LINDEN VIEW, HEDNESFORD

- One Bed House
- Lounge & Kitchen
- Shower Room
- Electric Heating
- DG
- Energy Rating E
- NO DSS/PETS

£410 pcm

CHALFONT COURT, CANNOCK

- One Bed Flat
- Lounge/Kitchen
- Bathroom
- GCH & DG

£450 pcm

CHALFONT COURT, CANNOCK

- 2 Bed Flat
- Lounge/Kitchen
- GCH & DG
- Allocated Parking
- Energy Rating B
- No DSS/Pets

£525 pcm

COTTON GROVE, HEDNESFORD

- 3 Bed Semi
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- GCH & DG

£575 pcm

BELLBROOK, PENKIDGE

NEW

- Two Bed Mid Room
- Lounge, Dining Room
- GCH, DG, Gardens
- Kitchen & Utility
- Guest WC & Shower
- NO DSS OR PETS

£695 pcm

BEVAN LEE ROAD, CANNOCK

- Three Bed Semi
- FULLY RENOVATED
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Bathroom, GCH

£700 pcm

WHITETHORN CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

LET Similar Urgently Required

- Three Bed Detached
- Lounge, Kitchen
- En-suite & Bathroom
- Conservatory, GCH
- DG, Gardens
- Driveway & Garage
- Energy Rating D
- NO DSS OR PETS

£775 pcm

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TOWER VIEW ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY

NO CHAIN

- An improved ground floor flat
- Re-decorated & Re-carpeted throughout
- Spacious lounge
- Kitchen & Utility
- Guest WC & Shower
- NO DSS OR PETS

£695 pcm

STEPHENSON WAY, HEDNESFORD

- Landlords Only Sold
- With Sitting Tenant
- Ground Floor Apartment
- Lounge-Diner
- Modern Fitted Kitchen

£99,950

IRVINE ROAD, BLOXWICH

NEW

- A Beautifully Presented End Terraced House
- GCH & DG
- Spacious Lounge

£105,000

SQUIRREL CLOSE, HUNTINGTON

NEW

- Four Bed Detached
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen, Conservatory
- Guest WC, En-Suite
- Family Bathroom
- GCH & DG, Gardens
- Driveway & Garage
- Energy Rating D
- SORRY NO DSS

£895 pcm

REALISTIC OFFERS CONSIDERED

- An improved ground floor flat
- Re-decorated & Re-carpeted throughout
- Spacious lounge
- Kitchen & Utility
- Guest WC & Shower
- NO DSS OR PETS

£69,950 No Chain

BEVAN LEE ROAD, CANNOCK

- Superbly Presented & Much Improved
- Entrance Hall
- Re-Fitted Guest WC
- Lounge-Diner

£126,500 No Chain

KENSINGTON PLACE, HEATH HAYES

NEW

- Modern Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Modern Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Gardens

£145,000 No Chain

STAFFORD STREET, HEATH HAYES

NEW

- A Modern First Floor Apartment
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Breakfast Kitchen, Porch/Utility
- Fitted Bathroom
- Dining Room/Sitting Room
- Detached Garage & Driveway
- GCH & Partial Double Glazing

£110,000 No Chain

GEORGE STREET, HEDNESFORD

NO CHAIN

- Well Presented & Extended Semi Detached Room
- Kitchen
- Family Lounge-Diner
- Dining Room/Sitting Room

£159,995

ELLIOT DRIVE, CHURCHBRIDGE

NEW

- A Superbly Presented Detached Family Home
- Entrance Hall, Guest WC
- Lounge, Kitchen-Diner

£235,000 Viewing Essential

GORSEMOOR ROAD, HEATH HAYES

NEW

- Three Good Sized Bedrooms
- En-Suite, Family Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage & Driveway

£250,000 No Chain

NEWHALL STREET, CANNOCK

NO CHAIN

- Individually Designed & Superbly Presented
- Guest WC
- Modern Kitchen-Diner
- Family Lounge
- Impressive Master Bedroom
- Ensuite & Luxury Family Bathroom
- Two Further Bedrooms
- Parking & Garden

£225,000

NEWHALL STREET, CANNOCK

NO CHAIN

- Spacious Detached Family Residence
- Lounge
- Sitting Room
- Guest WC
- Stunning Open Kitchen/ Dining Conservatory
- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Parking & Garden

£225,000

WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CHESLYN HAY

NO CHAIN

- An Impressive Detached Bungalow
- Entrance Hall
- Open Plan Kitchen & Lounge Area
- Utility Room & Guest WC
- Impressive Bathroom
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Garage, Driveway & Gardens

£274,995 No Chain

GORSEY LANE, CANNOCK

NO CHAIN

- An Individually Designed Detached Bungalow
- Reception Hall, Lounge, Conservatory
- Dining Room, Breakfast Kitchen
- Utility, Additional Family Room
- Two Double Bedrooms, En-Suite
- Shower Room/Guest WC
- Delightful Gardens, Garage & Driveway

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Toyota Mirai is named World Green Car 2016

Mirai, Toyota's hydrogen fuel cell saloon, has been declared the 2016 World Green Car, winning through in a shortlist of three that also included the new Toyota Prius.

The title, announced at the New York International Auto Show, was decided by a jury of 73 automotive journalists from 23 countries worldwide.

Karl Schlicht, Toyota Motor Europe's executive vice president for sales and

marketing, said: "As recognised leaders in hybrid technology, we are truly honoured to have received such an award."

"This is a clear recognition of Toyota's long-term commitment to the fuel cell, a convincing, safe and relevant mobility solution which is leading the way to development of the ultimate eco-car."

Mirai, which emits nothing other than water vapour when driven, is a pioneering vehicle that will contribute to the development of future hydrogen energy-based society.

In spite of its advanced powertrain technology, it is a practical and fun-to-drive car, with a quiet, comfortable ride and striking contemporary design.

The UK is among the first European markets to offer the Toyota Mirai, its introduction here taking advantage of the development of national infrastructure for the supply and sale of hydrogen fuel.

Early customers for the vehicle include Transport for London, the private car hire service greenmotocars and hydrogen energy business ITM Power.

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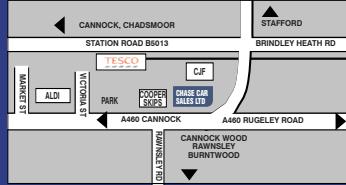


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New lease of life for updated SEAT Ibiza

By John Griffiths

It's a sign of the times that SEAT has tagged one of its smallest (in terms of capacity) engines with its sporty 'FR' model designation.

But this isn't any old three cylinder, 999cc petrol unit – it's one of a new generation of small but highly efficient engines where, on demand, turbo charging makes up for the lack of cubic centimetres but gives one litre economy when you're cruising or crawling.

At first sight it doesn't seem that much has changed – the sculpted side panels in particular make it instantly recognisable as a descendant of one of the most popular small cars on our roads. But look more closely and you see the bonnet and boot lines have been cleaned up, and you might notice the new range of colours too.

But it's under the skin where SEAT has spent its development money, with more efficient engines and a significant – and long awaited – upgrade to the interior which will help the Ibiza compete with Johnny-come-lately rivals.

The test model was a 1.0 litre Eco TSi with 110Ps on tap – pretty effective in a small car but also aided by a whole 200Nm of torque thanks to the turbo, so power is delivered more evenly and from lower revs.

It was coupled to the Audi VW Group's excellent DSG automatic gearbox, with seven electronically controlled ratios to ensure you're always in the most efficient ratio for acceleration or economy, depending on your right foot. You can, of course, also change gear manually using the gearstick sequentially or via the up/down paddles behind the steering wheel. For me that's useful to limit speed on a steep descent, or you take full control on a twisty stretch of road, but for the most part the auto system is both rapid and responsive enough for you to leave it doing its job.

That addition of DSG partly explains the £16,140 price tag for this test model, but worth it if you're an auto fan or fed up with pumping your clutch foot up and down in traffic. And it comes without the power and economy drawbacks of older auto transmissions.

But FR also denotes of the highest, and the sportiest, trim levels so it also comes with extra standard equipment including the distinctive twin exhausts, sports front seats, unique 16-inch alloys with low profile tyres, sports suspension, automatic headlights and wipers, cruise control and, of course, a sports style flat-bottomed steering wheel.

There are three other FR engine options, two 1.4 turbo diesels with 90 and 105PS respectively, and the flagship 1.4 TSI with 150PS on tap.

Lively

Compared to normally aspirated, and in many cases smaller one litre cars, the FR's turbo makes it feel lively from the moment you set off, and according to official figures 60mph comes up in an impressive 9.3 seconds.

Line up for an overtake and the DSG system rapidly responds by changing down one or two gears to get you quickly and safely past. Unless you're pressing on, and with the availability of that higher, seventh gear, the engine is barely audible and you're more likely to notice some background noise from the wide, low profile tyres.

According to official laboratory tests, the 1.0 FR is capable of averaging 64.2mpg – and a low, tax-saving 102g/km of CO₂ – but in real world driving and traffic conditions the test car returned a still creditable 50mpg.

The sports suspension doesn't result in a harsh ride, but what it does very well is to sharpen up the Ibiza's handling. It's quick to turn in and holds its line even through bumpy corners which help to make it a fun and rewarding car to drive. The brakes are smooth and powerful too.

Interior and load space of just short of 300 litres haven't changed, but the Ibiza is quite capable of accommodating four in comfort, with the five doors of the test model making access to the rear easier than in three-door versions.

It's in the interior where the major changes have taken place. It feels much higher quality, with switchgear from Ibiza's big brother, the Leon, and a centre colour touchscreen controlling a range of functions. There's also a driver information display between the two principal instruments.

The test car was also kitted out with a number of extras including a three class upgraded sound system (£155), climate control (as opposed to standard aircon) at £320 and rear parking sensors at £220. For £725 the car was also showcasing one of the most sophisticated and comprehensive communications, entertainment and media set-ups available in any small car, all controlled via a central touch screen.

Features include a three-dimensional navigation system with voice control, Bluetooth, MP3 and CD player. SEAT's 'Full Link' system consisting of Mirrorlink, Apple CarPlay and Android Auto, capable of integrating with smart phone functions. As with its efficient engines and sharper styling, this technological wizardry shows the competent little Ibiza has undergone more than a facelift. It's given the car a new lease of life to broaden its appeal and tackle the competition head on.



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Suzuki resurrect Baleno



The name Baleno is not a new one for Suzuki. The Japanese marque introduced its original Baleno back in 1995 as a bigger brother to the Swift supermini.

Underneath the three-door hatchback, four-door saloon or estate bodyshell was a stretched Swift platform with certain engines shared. Although it was axed way back in 2002 and not exactly missed, Suzuki have still decided to resurrect the name.

In a way, it's quite fitting. Although the new car is undoubtedly more interesting to look at than its predecessor, it offers much of the same. The key selling points are a competitive price and plenty of space inside for both passengers and their luggage. Like the original, it does this by being noticeably larger than the Swift and therefore other vehicles within the supermini class. Unlike the Nineties version, there's plenty of new componentry that makes the new Baleno a serious competitor in the supermini segment.

There are a couple of engine options in the Baleno; Suzuki's existing 1.2-litre 'DUALJET' four cylinder engine with 90PS or a new 'BOOSTERJET' 1.0-litre three cylinder powerplant with 112PS. The 1.2-litre option comes with a mild hybrid system that uses a combined starter and generator to harvest electrical energy when the Baleno slows. Not only can this charge the battery and start the engine, it can also add additional power when pulling away from a standstill. This promises to bring a useful improvement in both economy and emissions figures.

As you may have guessed from the name, the 'BOOSTERJET' motor is yet another downsized turbocharged powerplant. While it may lack the hybrid system of the 1.2, clever management of the turbocharger means it shouldn't be too far behind, even though it will offer significantly more performance. While Suzuki do talk of 'superior driving performance', the Baleno is unlikely to be set up for B-road blasting.

Refinement

With the Swift such a fun little car, the focus will be very much on ride comfort and refinement to ensure the Baleno appeals to a very different audience.

Compared to the Swift, the Baleno is longer, wider yet lower. This gives it a much less upright look although you'd never call it sleek. There is an attractive feature line that rises from the headlight, over the front wing before dropping down and slowly climbing to meet the window line. Up front there's a bold grille with a large Suzuki 'S' logo while the rear is not quite as adventurous.

Expect trim levels to be similar to the Swift. That means SZ2 through to SZ4, although we doubt there's going to be a Sport version. Depending on the model you select, available equipment includes daytime LED running lights, climate control, alloy wheels and of course electric windows.

Those that must have the latest infotainment system will be interested in the 7" touchscreen system that is Apple CarPlay compatible via a USB lead. There's no mention of Android Auto but the system does offer MirrorLink so you can display your apps on the touchscreen. Further highlights include an adaptive cruise control system that can alter the car's speed to suit traffic and autonomous braking too. This is a three stage system that works by alerting the driver, increasing braking force if they are already in use and applying the brakes if the middle pedal hasn't been touched.

Official figures are yet to be released but Suzuki are claiming the 1.2-litre mHEV hybrid should have carbon emissions of around 93/g/km. Fuel economy has not been mentioned but should be competitive given the amount of carbon the Baleno looks likely to emit. This of course means free tax while features such as autonomous braking should mean insurance is low too. As for the warranty, this is a typical 3 year, 60,000 mile affair.

Some might think it a little odd that Suzuki seems to be competing with themselves by releasing a second car in the B segment supermini class. The truth of the matter is that the Swift and Baleno are different enough to ensure they are unlikely to steal sales from each other.

While the Swift is a funky little city car, the Baleno is that little bit bigger and more mature.

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By James Parker

SsangYong is earning a solid reputation for value and quality, and nowhere is this more evident than with its Korando Sports 1 tonne pick-up.

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Based on the top of the range EX automatic, the new Korando Sports DMZ is a limited edition model featuring full camouflage paintwork, roof rails and 18" alloy wheels, and priced at £19,195 (ex VAT).

Paul Williams, CEO of SsangYong Motor UK, said: "With its keen price and comprehensive list of standard equipment, Korando Sports gives you a lot of vehicle for the money – from £14,495 (ex VAT), and the reassurance of a five year limitless mileage warranty for complete peace of mind.

"It can be loaded like a truck yet still drives like a car, and really is the best value pick-up you can buy!"

"The DMZ is a bit of fun. We ordered a short run initially but they were instantly snapped-up by our dealers, so we think it could prove particularly popular with owner drivers."

Korando Sports is powered by SsangYong's e-XDi 2 litre diesel engine, and provides maximum power of 155PS and peak torque of 360Nm delivered between 1,500rpm and 2,800rpm providing ample performance both on and off road, and fuel economy of up to 37.7 mpg on the Combined Cycle*.

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A real workhorse, the pick-up features a large, flat rear deck giving a 2.04m load area to take a Euro pallet, and fitted with load deck liner and anchor points. A range of optional rigid hard tops to provide weather protection and security to the load area is also available.

Also and unusually for the segment, the SsangYong Korando Sports also features a live rear axle supported by a sophisticated multi-link rear suspension system with progressive coil springs to give a comfortable, car like ride, instead of the more dated leaf springs employed on many other pick-ups.

Equipped

In addition to DMZ there are three models to choose from. The S is the lowest priced double cab pick-up on the market at just £14,495 (ex VAT).

The SX is a step up and extremely well equipped with 18" alloy wheels, tinted glass, air conditioning, leather covered steering wheel, remote central locking, an MP3 CD & RDS radio with a USB & auxiliary port and Bluetooth connectivity as well as speed sensitive power assisted steering. The Korando Sports SX costs £15,395 (ex VAT).

The EX also features 18" alloy wheels, and adds the luxury touch of leather upholstery with heated front seats, powered driver's seat, heated, electrically adjustable and power folding door mirrors and rear parking sensors. A Mercedes-Benz 5 speed automatic transmission with cruise control is also available as an option. The EX with manual transmission is £16,995 (ex VAT), and with automatic transmission, £18,195 (ex VAT).

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Nissan's advanced driver assistance systems are available on many of its models, including the award-winning Qashqai crossover.

Development of these hi-tech solutions is constantly evolving to improve the ownership experience, but Nissan engineers never forget that a simple approach can be just as effective. This month marks 20 years since the debut of one of its most iconic features – the much-loved 'curry hook'.

The dashboard hook first appeared on the Almera compact family hatchback in March 1996, as a way of keeping hand bags or shopping bags upright. It was quickly dubbed the 'curry hook' by media who recognised it was the perfect way to stop takeaway food from spilling into the car's foot well.

Today, it remains a feature of the brand's crossovers such as the Qash-

qi and X-Trail. All that's changed is the location of the hook; it has moved from the dashboard to the boot.

It's just one of many simple solutions which Nissan has incorporated into its cars to make life easier for the driver. Another is the 'Karakuri' boot board – also known as the Flexi-Board – which is available on the Qashqai, Juke and Note. It allows owners to divide the cargo space according to their needs, and can be arranged in various configurations to support and protect items in transit. When not in use, it cleverly stores out of the way in the boot floor.

Nissan's engineers have put just as much thought into the latest Navara pick-up. For example, it features a 12-volt power socket in the dashboard's upper storage tray – ideal for customers who have their own portable sat-nav device to stick to the windscreens. It means no potentially hazardous trail

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Such smart thinking isn't a new element of the Nissan 'customer-first' philosophy. In September 1986, when the first Nissan Bluebird rolled off the new production line in Sunderland, UK, it had two analogue trip meters built into the instrument cluster behind the steering wheel.

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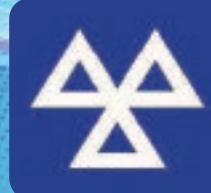
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Application has today been made to the council for the above licence by T. J. Morris Limited t/a Home Bargains, Unit 5B-5C, Wyre Brook Park, Vine Lane, Cannock, Staffordshire WS11 0JF. He / She proposes to carry on the business of running a pub during the following hours: 08:00 am to 22:00 Monday to Sunday (please note that the applicant will fully comply with Sunday trading hours). Any representations must be submitted in writing to the Licensing Unit, Cannock Chase District Council, P.O. Box 28, Civic Centre, Beechwood Road, Cannock, Staffordshire WS11 1BG website: www.cannockchase.gov.uk by 20th April 2016. For further information about the Licensing Register may contact the Council at the above address during normal working hours. It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and on summary conviction would be liable to a fine not exceeding £5000. Dated this 24th March 2016.

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The Order will come into operation on 18th April 2016, and the said works will commence on or as near as practicable to that date. It is anticipated that the works will be completed by 1st May 2016.

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Daniel Colin Lote trading as Daniel C Lote Transport of 21 Canterbury Way, Heath Hayes, Cannock, Staffs WS12 3YR is applying to change an existing licence as follows:

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Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at West Midlands Traffic Area Office, Hill Crest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds LS9 6NF stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to making representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's Office.

Dated: April 1 2016

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Maria is congratulated on a previous success



Maria spends hours practising



Still close – Maria with her cousin Ronnie O'Sullivan

Cue Ronnie's cousin who wants to Rocket ahead

AS one member of the family continues to make the news, Maria Catalano is hoping she will be a headline act in April.

The 33-year-old from Netherton will be striving to win her first world snooker championship after finishing runner-up on five occasions – just a couple of weeks before her cousin Ronnie O'Sullivan bids for his sixth crown at the famous Crucible venue in Sheffield.

Catalano's shot at glory will take place in the more low-key surroundings of the Northern Snooker Centre in Leeds as the women's game fights to break down the barriers of a male-dominated sport.

Encourage

But the current world No. 4 is hoping that the days where the ladies' efforts are overlooked will soon be a thing of the past. The World Ladies Billiards and Snooker Limited (WLBS) was formed last year to encourage participation from grassroots level and raise the profile of the women's game, joining forces with the World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association.

Dudley's world No. 1 – and Catalano's close friend – Reanne Evans caused a stir last year when she pushed former world champion Ken Doherty in a 10-8 loss in the qualifying event for last year's world championships. And Hong Kong's Ng On Yee will be in the qualifying tournament this time around.

"The WLBS has been formed and the World Profes-

SPORTING FEATURE

By Nick Elwell

"The ladies' game has struggled since it started, really. The difference in prize money is crazy."

sional Billiards and Snooker Association have taken us under their wing," said Catalano, who plays on the local circuit for West Midlands Police in the Stourbridge League and Woodfield in the West Midlands League.

"The ladies' game has struggled since it started, really. The women's game needs more exposure and they seem to have big plans. The difference in prize money is crazy. For our world championships it was £1,500 for the winner last year – the men's was £300,000."

For the time being Catalano has to be content with chasing the meagre offerings in tournaments around the country while working for the family business, Antonio's Ice Cream.

"I have never been able to take the game full-time because I have never had a sponsor," she added.

Her love of the game is obvious. "I was about five

or six and I remember having a snooker table cake for my birthday," she laughed.

"Obviously my family were interested in the sport with Ronnie playing. I saw him doing well and earning a few quid and thought I want to try that. We all used to watch it on the TV and I was a big Steve Davis fan."

While her friends were out and about, Catalano was chalking up the hours on the green baize. "I started to play at Brierley Hill Snooker Club and that was it. I played every single night. I fell in love with it straight away."

Even success on the American pool circuit failed to tempt her away. "I won the Florida State Championships, which is a big event, and qualified for the US Open. But pool is not for me."

And Catalano, who beat her idol Davis in an exhibition match last year and teamed up with Evans to defeat Shaun Murphy and Mark Selby in a promotional event last month, has never felt out of place among male team-mates and opponents.

A few tips from O'Sullivan helped along the way and the pair are still in regular contact.

"He is just very special. I would say he is the best ever. I know he causes a bit of controversy now and again, but he is a genius."

Catalano will be cheering O'Sullivan on at the Crucible as usual, but for now is focused on her own shot at world glory after missing last year.

"The ambition is still there and I am going to win it one day, definitely."

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Wins keep up the push for play-off spot

Chasetown 1 Stafford Rangers 0
CHASETOWN kept up their push for the play-offs with a victory that stunned league leaders and local rivals Stafford Rangers in front of a bumper bank holiday crowd of 549.

The Scholars had a glorious chance inside the opening minute as Kev Hemmou rushed through on goal and Stafford cleared the danger through Levi Read as the striker went past goalkeeper Adam Whitehouse. Paul Sullivan then should have given the home side the lead, volleying over the bar from close range.

Stafford pushed forward on a number of occasions, but Chasetown's defence stood resilient against the league leaders, preventing the table-toppers from getting a clear sight at goal.

With 10 minutes left, Boro's Ben Haseley got ahead of his defender to power a header towards the bottom corner but somehow John Bateman got down to claw away his effort and then recovered to make an even better save to keep out the rebound.

Five minutes from the end, Mike Williams drove the ball across the six-yard box and Nick Turton left the ball for substitute Stan Mugisha, who fired home from close range against his former club.

Market Drayton Town 0 Chasetown 3

THIS impressive win in Shropshire saw Kev Hemmou, Nick Turton and George Washbourne all firing a shot at goal in the first minute, with the hosts clinging on. In the second half, heavy rain started to fall, halting which negated any attacking play for a five-minute period.

Eventually, Chasetown's pressure counted and Washbourne drilled home a low shot 19 minutes from time. In the final minute a right-footed effort from Jed Davies nested in the bottom corner, and in stoppage time, Paul Sullivan slid the ball in from a tight angle.

Hayes come from behind to go six without a defeat

Lichfield City 2 Heath Hayes 4

HAYES made it six games unbeaten in this Midland League Division One derby after coming back from two goals down.

The two teams will soon face each other in the Staffs Vase final.

City took advantage of a poor defensive mistake when David Yonwin was allowed time and space to fire into the bottom corner and were two up through Tony Clarke.

Joe Pickering pulled one back and levelled through Joe Hartshorne. Steve Allen and Pickering sealed victory.

Heath Hayes 2 Coventry United 1

HAYES thoroughly deserved this Midland League Division 1 victory after coming from behind to beat the long-time league leaders who are now demoted to third spot.

With a strong wind at their backs the visitors made a dream start after four minutes with a speculative effort from left back Ben Vallance completely deceiving home keeper Mark Wiggin.

Hayes equalised with a fine rasping 25-yard drive from Ryan Burns and Joe Hartshorne scored the winner.

Ronnie's cousin is on cue to rocket ahead

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Holder Smith retains Memorial Classic



Mel Evans, Greg Smith, Peter Higham, Callum Wright and Lynn Pritchett

GREG Smith retained the £2,000 Les Evans Memorial Bowls title at Chads Moor Progressive WMC on Easter Monday.

Smith, who back in September took the famous Waterloo title, mastered the green to brush aside all five opponents. In the final he faced Callum Wright, double winner of the event and current BCGBA Champion of Champions. The winner collected the £500 top prize with a 21-12 victory.

Prizes were presented by BCGBA president Peter Higham. The event was sponsored by FLOWFIT, PKB Plastering, Verite Ltd, Mel Evans MBE, Albert Redding & Lynn Pritchett.

Round one: Ant Aldridge 21 Ben Harris 14; Darren Plenderleath 20 Scott Simpson 21; Greg Smith 21 Andy Hughes 13; John Palmer

Bowls

17 Craig Barker 21; Chris Brown 12 Colin Beaman 21; Anthony Bracken 21 Russell Pegram 20; Stuart Rutter 13 Tommy Johnstone 21; Wayne Sutcliffe 12 Robert Rodger 12; Callum Wright 21 Gareth Smart 12; Paul Bailey 21 Lynn Pritchett 14 Lee Johnstone 6 Mike Leach 21; Paul Evans 17 Ryan Prosser 21; Andrew Spragg 13 Tom Vickers 21; Andrew Cairns 16 Damon Morrison 21.

Round two: A.Aldridge 21 S.Simpson 13; G.Smith 21 C.Barker 21; C.Wright 21 A.Bracken 21; T.Johnstone 14 W.Ditchfield 21; P.Lamb 21; T.Vickers 21 D.Morrison 20

Quarter final: A.Aldridge 8 G.Smith 21; A.Bracken 16 W.Ditchfield 21; C.Wright 21 M.Leach 8; P.Lamb 21 T.Vickers 13

Semi final: G.Smith 21 W.Ditchfield 13; C.Wright 21 P.Lamb 12

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Cons remain in hunt for snooker title

CANNOCK Cons B remain in the title hunt for the Aldridge Snooker League Premier Division.

They moved into second place after beating reigning champions Wednesfield Cons A 3-2 at home in a deciding frame won by Shaun Eaton-Lees. Leaders St Johns remain on course to secure their first title as they scrambled home at relegation threatened Aldridge Cons A 3-2.

Fourth placed Q Bar A kept the pressure on for third place when they defeated struggling Stafford Road A 4-1 away. Only Keith Poston Jr could offer any resistance for the hosts.

In Division One, leaders Bentley Moor A remain on course for the title as they won 4-1 away at mid-table Amery, with solid wins for Phil Bush, Stuart Cox, Scott McGregor and Mark Archer as Amery secured a consolation frame through Mac Williams. Second-placed Wednesfield Cons B look like they are going to clinch a top flight spot as they won 4-1 at home to promotion rivals Stafford Road B thanks to wins for John Schneider, Geoff Jones, Dean Evans and Russell Powers. Stafford Road could mustel only the one frame in reply through Dave Wilcox.

Bloxwich Memorial B, in third, also look like securing a top-flight spot next season as they despatched Essington WMC 3-2 in a deciding frame won by Martin Reilly. Essington had forced a decider through Jason Archer and Ben Nicholls after being 2-0 behind.

RESULTS

Premier Division: Golden Cue A 0 St Johns SC 5; Bloxwich Memorial A 3 Aldridge Cons B 2; Cannock Cons B 2 Wednesfield Cons B 2; Fishley Park 4 Old Hall 1; Sandymoor SC A 4 Peckforton Social 1; Stafford Road A 1 Q Bar A 4; Victoria A 3 Aldridge Social Club 2; Aldridge Cons A 2 St Johns SC 3.

Division One: Amery 1 Bentley Moor A 4; Birchills 1 Victoria B 4; Essington WMC 2 Bloxwich Memorial B 3; Cannock Cons B 4; Lichfield Royal 3 Q Bar B 3; Sandymoor SC B 3; Walsallfield Cons B 4 Stafford Road B 1; Bentley Moor B 3 Aldridge Cons C 2; Norton Vic 4 Darlaston Cons 1.

Leesy does it with first-half hat-trick

Penkridge 8 Walsall Phoenix 0 – Staffs County Senior League Div 2 South
JACK Lees scored a first half hat-trick – including one in the opening minute – as Penkridge cruised to victory, making it nine wins out of nine.

Four goals came in each half with Tom Ranford also in target in the first 45 minutes.

Second half strikes came from Frankie Wynn, on as a sub for Lees, Ash Turton, Alex Beckett and John Hodnett.

Penkridge return to cup action this weekend with a trip to Premier Division side Cheadle Town in the semi-final of the Leek Cup.

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Good Evans – Zac wins title



Cancock teenager Zac Evans claimed the EFK European Welterweight Championship

A CANNOCK kickboxer has won the EFK European Welterweight Championship.

Zac Evans, aged 18, was crowned after at a title fight in Lincoln. He defeated French opponent Jean Marie Pierak two rounds into a seven-round fight by technical knockout (TKO) to claim the title belt at Lincoln Fight Factory.

The first round was slow-paced with both opponents gauging distances with jabs and figuring each other's fighting style out.

Evans stepped up the pressure in the second round, connecting a decisive left hook to Pierak's head before sweeping him to the

ground with a kick. The combo proved too much for the French opponent who called on the referee to suspend the fight.

The title fight was also an eliminator event which means Evans will have the opportunity to fight for the PFK World Championships belt in New York City in November.

Outside of kickboxing, Evans is completing an electrical apprenticeship at Stafford College with the hope of becoming a self-employed electrician. "It's fantastic to win the European championship for the UK and bring the title back to Staffordshire," he said.

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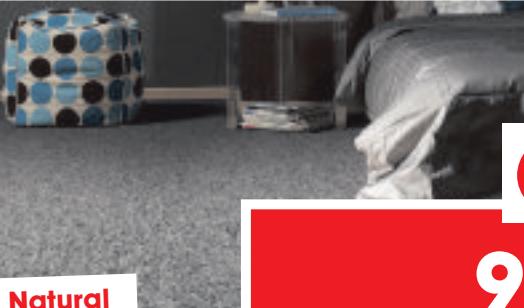


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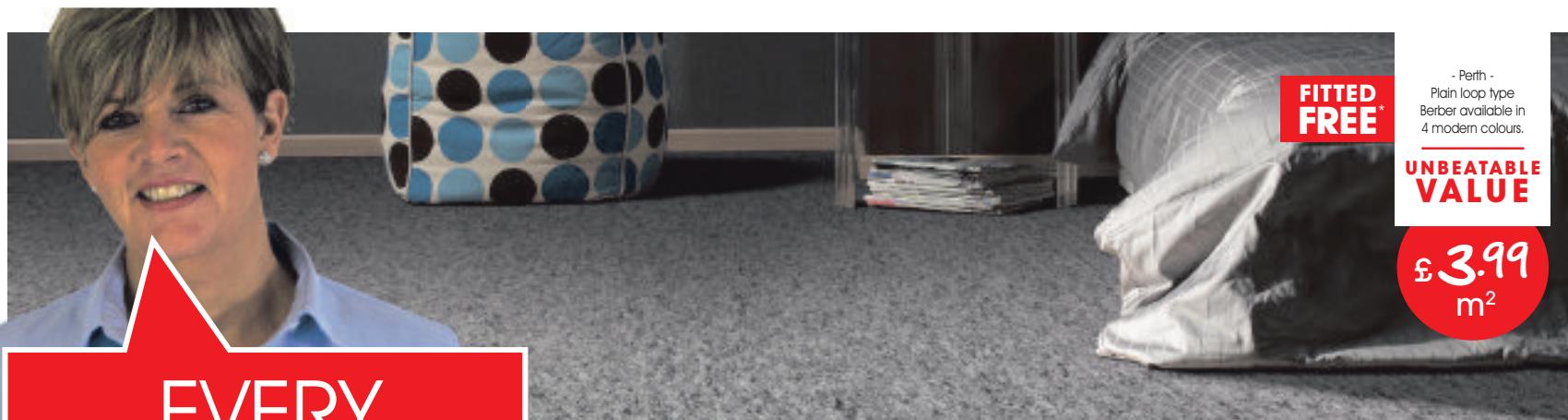
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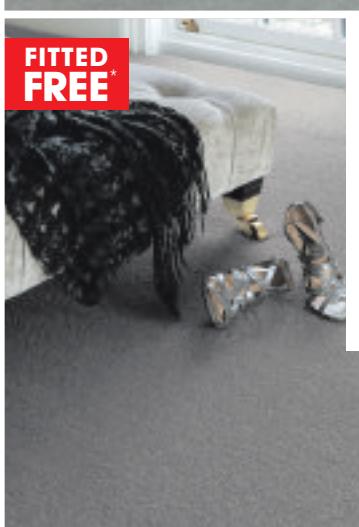
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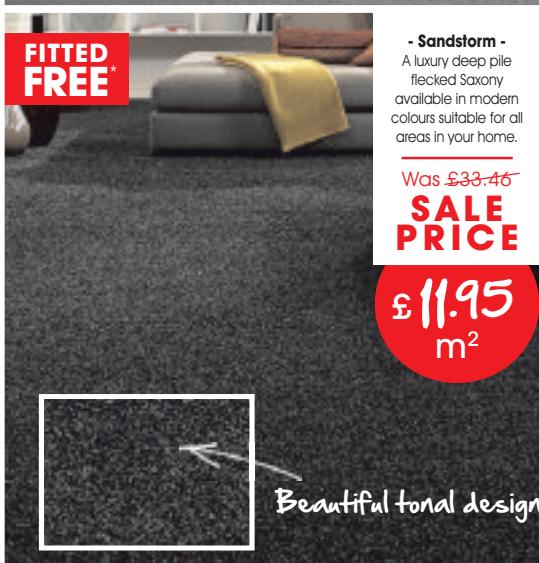
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